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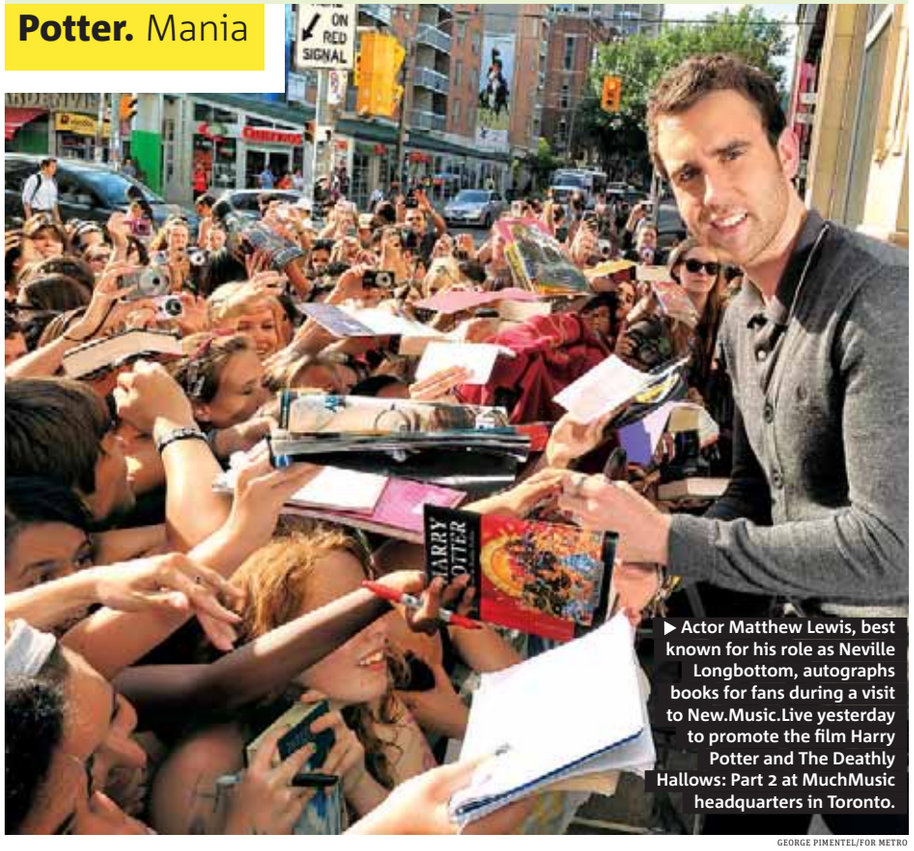

▶ Actor Matthew Lewis, best known for his role as Neville Longbottom, autographs books for fans during a visit to New.Music.Live yesterday to promote the film Harry Potter and The Deathly Hallows: Part 2 at MuchMusic headquarters in Toronto.

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'Muggles' mark end of wizardry saga

The saga of Harry Potter comes to an end with the latest movie, Harry Potter and The Deathly Hallows: Part 2 — 10 years and almost 20 hours' worth of film later. More coverage, page 17.

Mystery shrouds slain teen

Margarita Shumakova last seen clubbing in Toronto's Entertainment District

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▶ Margarita Shumakova

Who was Margarita Shumakova and how did she end up dead Friday night on the side of a country road near Uxbridge?

Little is known about the 18-year-old, and Durham Regional Police are being tight-lipped about the case. An autopsy has been done, but police are not releasing the cause of death. They have confirmed she was slain. Her body was found along an isolated stretch of Concession Road 8, about 80 kilometres northeast of Toronto.

She didn't have her own car, so it's believed she got to the City Nightclub at 296 Richmond St. W. with a small group of friends. She was last seen July 3 outside the club at approximately 1 a.m.

The teen, who was born in Kazakhstan and lived with her mother in Toronto, was known by other residents around apartment buildings on York Mills Road, near Highway 401 and the DVP.

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Festival. Launch

▶ Mikala Moss, left, of the Bahamas coaxes Mayor Rob Ford to dance yesterday at the Caribbean carnival launch at Nathan Philips Square.

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Mayor Ford makes vow to Caribbean carnival revellers: 'I'll see you there'

Mayor Rob Ford made a promise to revellers at the launch yesterday of Scotiabank Caribbean Carnival Toronto. "I'll see you all there," he yelled to cheers before dancing with masqueraders and posing for a few photos outside city hall. In a brief appearance, Ford praised the festival's contribution to the province's economy — about $483 million in 2009 — and arts scene. More than 250 people showed up at the launch of what used to be called Caribana, including protesters wearing "Caribana 2011 Forever" T-shirts. Carrying signs that said, "The new pirate of the Caribbean is Scotiabank," the dozen or so people stood quietly below the stage to protest the festival's name change as organizers and Scotiabank vice-president John Doig spoke. Henry Gomez, chair of the Caribana Arts Group, said he organized the protest because he feels the festival has been taken over by corporate sponsors.

City staff offered buyouts

▶ 17,000 workers offered voluntary severance packages ▶ Similarly, police service offered senior officers early retirement ▶ If buyouts are not accepted, sources say layoffs are possible

More than 500 Toronto police officers and thousands of city workers will be issued layoff notices in January if the Ford administration follows through on a pledge to shrink the police budget and the city's workforce.

Sources say if the buyout fails to generate significant savings, thousands of municipal staffers will also be let go.

A similar scenario is currently playing out at the Toronto Police Service.

Last week, the police board already offered senior ranking officers an early retirement package with hopes of generating $2.8 million in salary savings.

But board vice-chair Michael Thompson said the only way to hit the mayor's reduction goal of $84 million is to explore layoffs. In May, Thompson suggested 500 officers will need to be let go to meet that target. The Scarborough councillor now admits his estimation was low.

The Toronto Police Service is already operating well below its official 5,617 deployment strength. Chief Bill Blair has been forced to delay hiring about 200 officers in order to balance the 2011 budget.

If even 600 more police are let go, it would mean one of the biggest service reductions — about 15 per cent — in North America.

City manager Joe Pennachetti announced yesterday that all permanent City of Toronto employees, excluding firefighters, are being given an exit option. Employees of boards, agencies and commissions — which include TTC workers, library staff and police — are not eligible.

Pennachetti said staff has no set target in mind, but a senior city official told the Toronto Star the "magic number" is 3,000.

The city is facing a $774-million budget shortfall.

City staff have until Sept 9. to fill out the application. TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

Layoffs

The mayor said layoffs are not currently being planned, but he left the door open.

▶ "We have to look at ways of downsizing our workforce. We have too many employees here. Everyone you talk to agrees with that assessment. And it's eating up a huge chunk of our budget," Ford said.

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Medical journal article argues parents should lose custody of severely obese kids.

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Mayor Ford votes against all community grants

Returning briefly to his old role as council's isolated contrarian, Mayor Rob Ford reprised an annual tradition yesterday and voted against all six of Toronto's widely popular community development grants programs.

The grants programs give taxpayer money to a wide variety of community organizations. Some work to prevent violence. Others focus on improving the lives of seniors, immigrants, the disabled and the poor.

Some provide recreation services the city doesn't.

The community development and recreation committee, chaired by Ford ally Coun. Giorgio Mammoliti, had recommended that the city give 259 groups a total of $7.2 million.

The allocations were about to sail through council without even a vote when Ford stood to say he wanted to be recorded as opposing all of them — as he regularly did as a proudly frugal councillor.

When council then voted on the programs, Ford found himself nearly as lonely as he was under former mayor David Miller. He lost 43-1 in votes on the first four programs, 42-2 on the fifth, and 41-3 on the sixth.

Ford did not respond to a question on his votes as he exited a brief news conference.

Deputy Mayor Doug Holyday said Ford probably believes the grants are too costly.

But even Holyday voted against Ford; he said many of the groups receiving grants are "very, very good."

Left-leaning Coun. Janet Davis called Ford's decision "embarrassing" and "shameful." And the leader of a grant recipient that works with troubled youth said Ford acted foolishly, even if his interest was saving money.

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Organizations

A sample of the 259 organizations that will receive community grants this year, all of which Mayor Rob Ford voted against:

- New Canadian Community Centre
- Iranian Fire Festival and Celebrations Committee
- Parkdale Community Health Centre
- Canadian Tamil Youth Development Centre
- Native Child and Family Services of Toronto
- Somali Immigrant Aid Organization
- Crime Prevention Association of Toronto
- Variety Village
- Argonaut Rowing Club
- Community Association for Riding for the Disabled
- Afghan Women's Organization
- Council of Agencies Serving South Asians
- Cabbagetown Youth Centre

Toronto costliest city for expats: Survey

Karachi, Pakistan, is world's least expensive city for expatriates There are 214 cities on Mercer survey list

Toronto tops the list of the most expensive places to live in Canada for expatriates, and a soaring loonie has driven up prices in other cities across the country as well, according to a survey by consulting firm Mercer released yesterday.

The annual survey — which looks at items like housing, transport, food, clothing and entertainment — indicates higher rents helped Toronto surpass Vancouver as the Canadian city with the highest cost of living.

Toronto ranks as the 59th most expensive city in the world, while Vancouver ranks six places lower.

The survey points to Ottawa as Canada's cheapest big city to live in, ranking 114th in the world. Montreal and Calgary take 79th and 96th place, respectively.

The cost of living survey is designed to help companies and governments figure out compensation allowances for expatriate employees. The cost of housing plays a big part in the ranking because it is often the largest expense for expatriates.

Eleana Rodriguez, who is in charge of the information products solutions department at Mercer, said Canadian cities fall relatively low on the list, which means that cost of living in the country won't generally deter companies from sending expatriate workers.

"Particularly in Toronto's case, given the fact that this is a global city with a multicultural population, on a relative basis, it's not very high on the list," she said.

She added that although the data doesn't specifically look at the cost of living for locals, the information can also provide a window into their cost of living.

The firm said higher gas prices contributed to rising consumer costs, but many cities in North America dropped down the global rankings as regions such as Australia felt a stronger burden.

New York is used as the base city for comparisons, which helped Canadian cities move up the list because the loonie is worth more than the U.S. dollar than it was during the survey period last year.

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▶ The sun sets over the Toronto skyline. The city is now the most expensive place to live in Canada for expatriates.

Most expensive

- **Expatriates** The most expensive cities in the world for expatriates are Luanda, Angola, and Tokyo, with N'Djamena, Chad, Moscow, and Geneva rounding out the top five.
- **Safe housing** The cities in Angola and Chad are expensive because there is a low availability of safe housing for foreigners, a Mercer spokeswoman said.

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Guns, gangs unit receives extension

The Toronto Police Service has received a $10-million, two-year commitment from the province to extend the services of the Toronto Anti-Violence Intervention Strategy.

The special unit targets guns and gangs.

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▶ Police Chief Bill Blair

Jail guard gets 60 days in jail

A Maplehurst Correctional Centre guard who used a prisoner like a "punching bag to release his stress" during a lockdown has been sentenced to 60 days in jail.

"When a correctional officer assaults a prisoner it is a serious crime, not only against the prisoner but against the justice system itself," provincial court Justice Roselyn Zisman said in her written ruling.

Frank Rosa, 40, pleaded guilty to assaulting inmate Rudy Deleon, but asked for a conditional discharge, which might allow him to resume working as correctional officer. TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

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Belfast marches end in violence

Police attempted to prevent direct Protestant-Catholic street fighting Water cannons doused militants

Police firing plastic bullets and powerful water cannons forced Catholic militants away from a key Belfast road yesterday as Northern Ireland's annual day of Protestant marches reached a tense climax.

Catholic youths lashed out at police both before and after the marches by the Orange Order, a Protestant brotherhood whose yearly July 12 demonstrations celebrate 17th-century military triumphs over Catholics, and often inspire a violent response from the province's minority.

Hundreds of mostly teenage Catholics, who covered their faces with masks and hoods, waged running street battles with heavily girded police on the streets of Ardoyne, a nationalist enclave in north Belfast.

Police reported standoffs and smaller riots in several other Catholic parts of this British territory, where a 1998 peace accord and 2007 creation of a Catholic-Protestant government have failed to defuse Northern Ireland's clashes over marching rights.

Cheered by large crowds of Catholic spectators, the rioters tried to force their way on to the major local road in protest at a peaceful Protestant parade, permitted by police under strict conditions including a requirement that they march to the beat of a lone snare drum. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Belfast burning

As darkness fell, rioters reinforced their salvos of firecrackers, rocks, bricks and bottles with gasoline-filled Molotov cocktails.

- Some shouted "Burn! Burn!" as officers frantically batted out the flames.
- It appeared that the list of injured would surge from an earlier total of 24 police officers and an unknown number of rioters.

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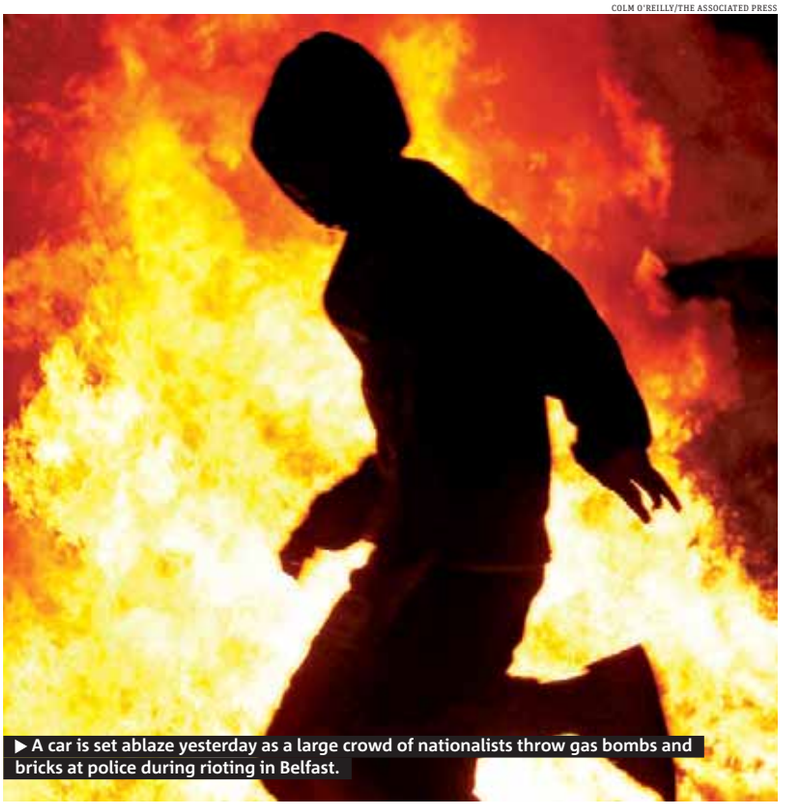

A car is set ablaze yesterday as a large crowd of nationalists throw gas bombs and bricks at police during rioting in Belfast.

Fight over fate of dogs who ate owners

A Saskatchewan woman and an animal protection group are at odds over whether dogs that ate the remains of their dead owners should be killed or put up for adoption.

The dogs belonged to a couple who died in their rural home near Springside in eastern Saskatchewan. RCMP were called to the house July 3 when the owners hadn't been seen for a couple of weeks. Foul play is not suspected.

The Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals said the seven dogs resorted to eating their owners' remains to survive. Tiffiny Koback of the Saskatoon SPCA said the dogs need socialization because they had an isolated life with the couple. She said the animals didn't show any signs of aggressive or threatening behaviour when they were brought to the shelter.

But Margaret-Ann Irving, who lives near and knew the couple, is worried.

Irving, who has been a dog breeder for 43 years, says the animals should be put down because they have behavioural issues.

These dogs are "inbred, they're not properly socialized and they're fear biters," said Irving. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Estranged wife cut off husband's penis: Police

Police say a California woman drugged her estranged husband, tied him to a bed, cut off his penis with a knife and threw it down a garbage disposal.

Police Lt. Jeff Nightengale said 48-year-old Catherine Kieu Becker was booked for investigation of aggravated mayhem, false imprisonment, assault with a deadly weapon, administering a drug with intent to commit a felony, poisoning and spousal abuse. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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Comments

Do you think Twitter should be monitored, policed and restricted?

Dave Stibrany
27, WEB DEVELOPER, TORONTO
There's such a fine line between free speech and what you can say. It's hard to monitor it, but I definitely think that something should be done with this problem.

Valentina Monreal
23, STUDENT, TORONTO
Of course. But who's actually going to monitor it? Everyone's going to use the whole free speech amendment.

Brian Wong
24, MARKETING, AURORA
I don't think it should be monitored. People are going to think whatever they want to whether or not you let them say it on Twitter.

Oma Okuma
40, GRAPHIC DESIGNER, VANCOUVER
Maybe we're going to say that everyone should have their free opinion or whatever, but I don't know — people can be very cruel.

Lessons from celeb tweets gone wrong

A word of caution to Twitter users, celebrity or otherwise: Be careful not to show too much Weiner. As one United States congressman found out the hard way, nothing sent online is ever private. Here are some celebrity tweets gone wrong:

Anthony Weiner:

U.S. Representative Anthony Weiner resigned as a result of inappropriate messages and photos he sent to women on Twitter and Facebook. Most famous is a tweet of his boxer-clad genitals he sent to a 21-year-old woman.

▶ Anthony Weiner

Ryan Seacrest:

The former American Idol host tweeted contestant Lacey Brown's elimination on American Idol 17 minutes before the show aired.

"Packed radio show tomorrow ... got tonight's voted-off idol lacey brown, @orianthi, @thedavidcook, & dakota fanning with deets on 'Eclipse.'"

Kenneth Cole:

The world-famous designer had to apologize after comments he made about the uprising in Egypt, resulting in outrage from the Twitter community.

▶ Courtney Love

"Millions are in uproar in #Cairo. Rumor is they heard our new spring collection is now available online at http://bit.ly/KCairo – KC"

Courtney Love:

The singer's tweets about designer Dawn Simorangkir cost her $430,000 in a libel lawsuit. She called the designer a "vile horrible lying bitch," as well as cocaine dealer, embezzler, racist and homophobe, and even threatened her life.

PHOEBE HO/FOR METRO

Mob mentality yielding mean tweets on negative stereotypes

#fatpeoplenightmares was trending topic across Canada and the U.S. for nearly 31 hours last week

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When Twitter goes from fun, games and Bieber love to mean trending topics, it becomes a form of bullying, an expert says.

"When you look at taunting and teasing within Twitter ... that type of bullying can drive a person to some serious depths of despair," said Tim Richardson, social media expert and e-commerce professor at the University of Toronto.

Trending topics like #whatmakesablackgirlmad illustrate how Twitter can become a platform for negative stereotyping and cyber-bullying, said Richardson.

Last week, Twitter showed its mean streak again when users began posting hundreds of tweets suggesting overweight people fear exercise, lettuce and the middle seat on flights.

"At the moment, you really don't think how it could affect someone. You just respond to it to make other people laugh."
MARITZA SANCHEZ, 21

"People were saying these things that are so hurtful that they would never have the guts to say in person," said Sam Tremblay, 22, who tweeted to criticize the #fatpeoplenightmares hashtag.

Richardson said many Twitter users do not think twice before tweeting because they can hide behind the anonymity of the Internet.

"The thing with Twitter is that people are distanced from the pain that they're causing other people, and so they will do these things more easily," Richardson said.

Maritza Sanchez, 21, tweeted that overweight people are afraid their cake will come to life and run away. Sanchez said she knows it wasn't right, but she didn't consider how others would feel at the time.

MARIANA IONOVA/FOR METRO

▶ Tim Richardson, e-commerce professor at U of T, has examined the effects of group dynamics in trending-topic discussions that encourage users to tweet comments that reinforce negative stereotypes.

But one Torontonian, who tweets as @Kanadian_Kid, said users should lighten up because Twitter is not a serious platform. Another user, @guyanesemon, equated the tweets to standup comedy.

Job search can be derailed by social media activities

Your job application was turned down even though you have the education, skills and experience the company is looking for. Reason? Check your Facebook and Twitter posts.

Some employers say they base about half of their hiring decisions on applicants' social media activities.

"What intrigues me enough to contact that person is what they have online, what they have done in the past," said Sam Manna, director of client development and talent acquisition at Argentus Search Group.

"If the person doesn't have a filter, if they don't understand the line between what should be said and what shouldn't be, then it's kind of hard for us to put our name on that person and say that's the best that we have."

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Facebook and Time Warner gang up on bullies

Facebook and Time Warner are ganging up on bullies to address a problem that torments millions of children and young adults.

The partnership announced yesterday calls for Facebook and Time Warner to use their clout to raise awareness about bullying and encourage more people to report the abuses when they see them. Facebook's participation reflects a growing recognition that its online social network consisting of more than 750 million people has become an outlet for harassment, as well as friendship.

"We believe that by working together with parents and teachers, we can teach young people to speak up and stop bullying," said Sheryl Sandberg, Facebook's chief operating officer.

The anti-bullying campaign will be waged on the Internet, on TV and radio and several major U.S. magazines. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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Fewer Canadians are regularly watching TV today, but those who do haven't curtailed their viewing. Statistics Canada reports the proportion of Canadians who said they watched television dropped to 73 per cent from 77 per cent between 1998 and 2010.

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Family to challenge anti-bigamy law in Utah

The state has not prosecuted a polygamist for bigamy since 2003

A polygamous family made famous by the reality TV show Sister Wives plans to challenge the Utah bigamy law that makes their lifestyle illegal, a Washington-based attorney said yesterday.

In an email to The Associated Press, attorney Jonathan Turley said he will file the lawsuit challenging Utah's bigamy law in Salt Lake City's U.S. District Court today.

Turley represents Kody Brown and his four wives, Meri, Janelle, Christine and Robyn. Brown is only legally married to Meri Brown.

Originally from Lehi, Utah, the Browns, who have 16 children, have been featured on the TLC reality show since last fall. They moved out of Utah to Nevada in January after police and Utah County prosecutors launched a bigamy investigation. No charges were ever filed.

The Browns practise polygamy as part of their religious beliefs.

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"We are only challenging the right of the state to prosecute people for their private relations and demanding equal treatment with other citizens in living their lives according to their own beliefs."
JONATHAN TURLEY, ATTORNEY

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▶ Kody Brown poses with his wives, from left, Janelle, Christine, Meri and Robyn in a promotional photo for TLC's reality TV show Sister Wives.

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Housework gender gap shrinks: StatsCan

As women increase their hours of paid work, men have steadily increased their share of household work

A new study says younger generations of women are less involved in unpaid housework than their predecessors, but they still carry much of the load.

The Statistics Canada study also says younger men still do more paid work than women, but the gap is narrowing.

The study compares young adulthoods of three generations: Late baby boomers (born 1957-66) when they were aged 20 to 29 in 1986; Generation X (1969-78), which was in that age group in 1998; and Generation Y (1981-90), which reached it in 2010.

It found that at ages 20 to 29, late baby boom men did on average 1.4 hours more paid work per day than women, while among Generation Y, the difference had narrowed to 1.1 hours.

And Statistics Canada says that at ages 20-29, late baby boom women did 1.2 hours more housework per day than men.

By the time Generation Y reached the same age group, the difference had narrowed to 0.4 hours — due entirely, says Statistics Canada, to a decrease in the time women spent on housework.

Among dual-earner couples — the dominant form since the 1980s — young adults are increasingly sharing economic and domestic responsibilities.

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Generation Y

- The study also found that members of Generation Y were more likely to be in school and at home with their parents at ages 20-29 than their counterparts in the two other generations.
- At ages 20-29, 51 per cent of Generation Y lived at home with their parents, compared with 31 per cent of their counterparts in Generation X.
- Generation Y also delayed living with a partner and having children. At ages 20-29, 19 per cent of Generation Y had children, compared with 29 per cent of the late baby boomers of the same ages in 1986.

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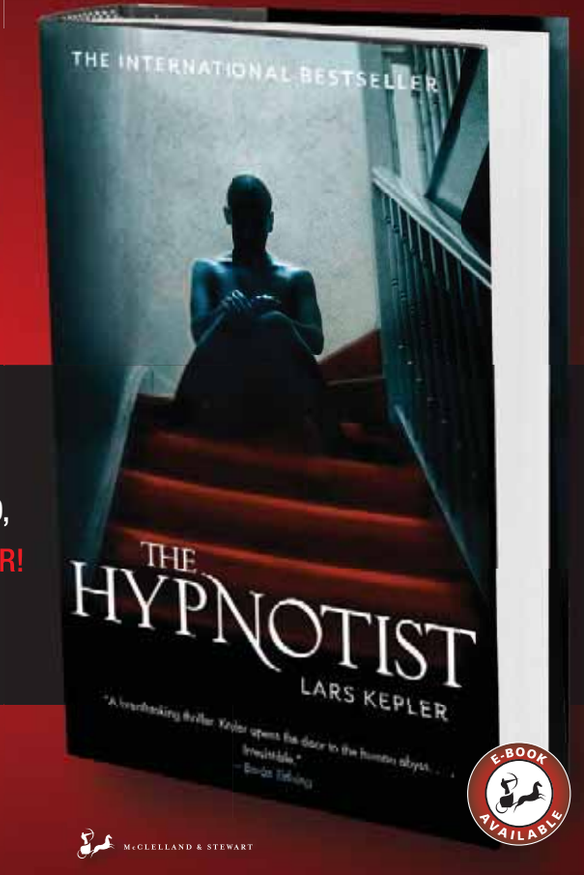

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▶ Two severely malnourished children lie in Banadir hospital yesterday in Mogadishu, Somalia.

Children on the verge of death: UN

Worst drought in East Africa in 60 years, WHO says

UN officials sounded the alarm yesterday about a deepening humanitarian crisis in East Africa caused by a severe drought and fighting in Somalia, and warned that tens of thousands of children are at risk of dying.

The UN children's agency, UNICEF, said 65,000 children in Kenya alone are at acute risk of dying — a threefold increase since 2009. In Somalia, the agency said, one in six children are now dying before their fifth birthday.

Meanwhile, the World Health Organization has warned that the movement of people and poor sanitation in overcrowded camps and towns is increasing the risk of cholera, typhoid and measles epidemics.

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▶ Two dogs look down on a canine-friendly "Dog Beach" at Huntington Beach, Calif.

High tide of bad beaches

Closings mostly due to bacterial pollution from human and animal waste

Delaware, New Hampshire and Minnesota have some of the cleanest beaches in the U.S., while a number of beaches in California and the Great Lakes have some of the worst in terms of water quality, according to a new U.S. report.

More than 170 beaches in 22 states were surveyed in The Natural Resource Defense Council's annual report, published in late June.

The report evaluated water quality and the number of beach closings and advisories. It found that the number of closings and advisories last year, 24,000, reached the second-highest level in the 21-year history of its report.

Beaches affected by the BP oil spill also factored into the report's findings.

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Print revival? Music mag to make return

An iconic, sardonic rock 'n' roll magazine with Detroit roots that ceased regular print publication more than 20 years ago is planning a comeback.

The publishing team behind Creem said it's restarting the presses in mid- to late-September for the magazine that officially shut down operations in 1988 and has been online only since 2001. The team envisions the quarterly publication as part of a broader music network that includes mobile apps and streaming music videos — all with the aim of attracting old and new readers.

The magazine most associated with its editor, the late wild-haired, prolific critic Lester Bangs, has been down the revival road before.

It had a brief return in 1990, and talk of another surfaced in the early 2000s after the release of Cameron Crowe's movie Almost Famous renewed interest in Bangs and Creem. Though better known for his Rolling Stone connection, Crowe wrote for Creem as a teenager with Bangs as his editor.

Those involved with Creem now say the evolution of the Internet and a desire among music fans for "something real" make this reboot more realistic.

"We just feel the timing is now," said Jason Turner, board chairman of Creem Enterprises Inc.

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"There's so much amazing music happening today but there's no filter, no curation happening. We think Creem is a great brand to do this under."

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▶ Leafs' goaltender James Reimer sits on the bench in Toronto with Molson Canadian beer logos in background in this March 14 file photo.

NHL deal up in air as beer battle brews

Appeals court sides with Molson on sponsorship pact
Tosses out lower court's ruling in Labatt's favour

There's a new twist in the legal battle over which beer giant gets to sponsor the National Hockey League for the next few years.

A judge's ruling that blocked the NHL's $375-million agreement with Molson Coors Canada was overturned yesterday by Ontario's Court of Appeal.

But Labatt Breweries, which is owned by multi-national brewer Anheuser-Busch InBev, countered by announcing that its Budweiser beer will become official sponsor of three Canadian NHL teams — the Vancouver Canucks, the Calgary Flames and the reformed Winnipeg Jets — starting Oct. 5.

The three team sponsorship deals — the first in Canada for Labatt — are part of a heated contest between it and Molson Coors, the country's two largest beer sellers.

Justice Frank Newbould ruled last month that the NHL and Labatt had reached a binding sponsorship agreement in November and, as a result, the league wasn't free to enter into a similar deal with Molson in February.

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My youngest daughter, Chloe, has been bugging me for years to coach her house-league soccer team. I remember how cool it was when my dad coached me at soccer as a kid, so I finally stepped up this spring and volunteered, having no real idea of what the heck I was getting myself into — or the learning curve involved.

One of my biggest fears, other than the time involved, was this: You take an ultra-competitive guy who played all-star soccer growing up and put him in charge of a bunch of nine-year-old girls at different skill levels and you just don't know what you're going to get.

My wife has been like, "Well, you're not here to teach them how to win; you're here to let them have fun, exercise, develop some skills." But I'm like, "I know it's house league, but, well, I just *hate* losing. At anything. Period. How can I just turn off my competitive nature? Let's bend it like Beckham!"

Somehow, I have tried to repress that competitive side.

I do my best to be fair with all the girls. I divvy up playing time and allow them to try different positions and develop at their own pace. If a more skilled forward scores a goal, I will (while biting my tongue) sometimes move them back to midfield or defence or sub them out just to prove it's not all about winning.

I have also learned to navigate other coaching duties: What parents bring snacks each week, huge storms that blow in out of nowhere where you have to yell at the teenage referee "Stop the game early! Pull the kids off the field!" and the delicate balance of coaching your daughter and not playing favouritism.

"The long and the short is this: To the thousands of dads and moms across Canada who volunteer their time each week coaching teams — I'm starting to get it now. You guys are awesome. See you at indoor soccer."

The ultimate goal about coaching at this level, I'm learning, is to empower these girls. To encourage and instil confidence in them at this vital life stage while also just letting them have fun. If we happen to win the game, too, that's gravy. (That said, if we're up 2-1 with minutes to go, I might put my best defenders back there, but shhhhh.)

My daughter loves that daddy is the coach. And daddy pretty much loves doing it, though there are moments after a long work day where he would rather just kick back than gather all the soccer balls and game sheets and water bottles and drive to a soccer field to coach on a sweltering summer evening.

The long and the short is this: To the thousands of dads and moms across Canada who volunteer their time each week coaching teams — I'm starting to get it now. You guys are awesome. See you at indoor soccer.

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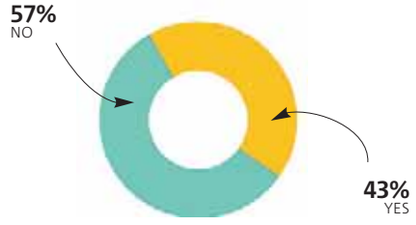

Local tweets

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Worth mentioning

Schools and hospitals were designated by the UN Security Council yesterday as safe havens for children threatened by war.

Led by visiting German Foreign Minister Guido Westerwelle, the council voted unanimously yesterday to have the UN chief "name and shame" national security forces and other armed groups that target schools and hospitals in conflicts, often killing, maiming or sexually violating children. The resolution, spearheaded by Germany, also called on all countries to take action to help stop the growing practice.

"Because children are very often the first victims of violence and conflict, we must do what we can to protect them," Westerwelle said.

Jo Becker, advocacy director for children's rights at Human Rights Watch, said a UN blacklist of groups responsible for school and hospital attacks could have "a real impact."

"What this does is puts them on notice," Becker said. "It stigmatizes them."

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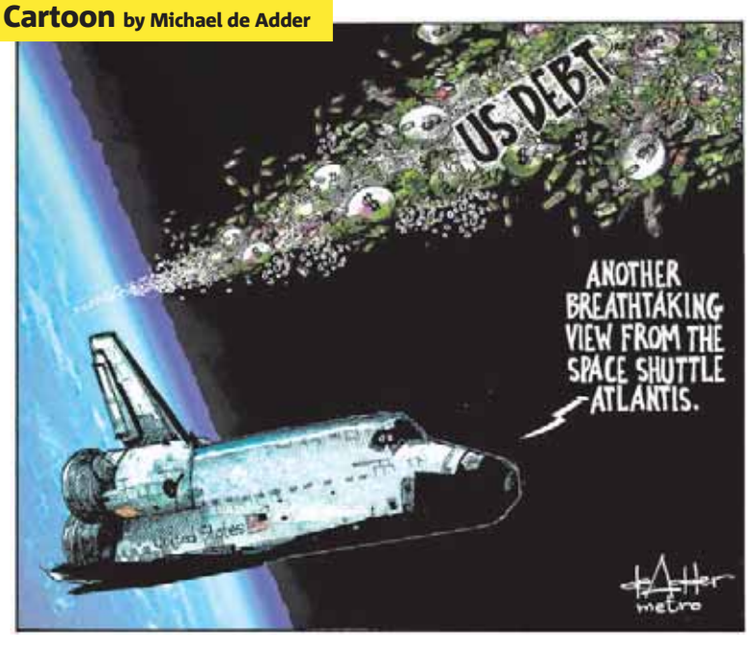

WEIRD NEWS

Honey spill creates quite the buzz

Cleanup crews in Island Park, Idaho, found themselves in a sticky situation after clearing honey and an estimated 14 million bees that got loose after a delivery truck overturned on a highway.

Fremont County Sheriff deputies say several workers were stung during the first few hours of the cleanup Sunday.

And some observers told The Post-Register about seeing a strange black cloud and roaring noise above the spill area before realizing it was a massive swarm of bees.

Authorities say a truck was hauling the bees to North Dakota from California when the driver veered off the shoulder, tipping more than 400 hive boxes and honey.

Crews worked all day Monday before removing all the honey from the roadway, though deputies say a significant amount of bees were still buzzing.

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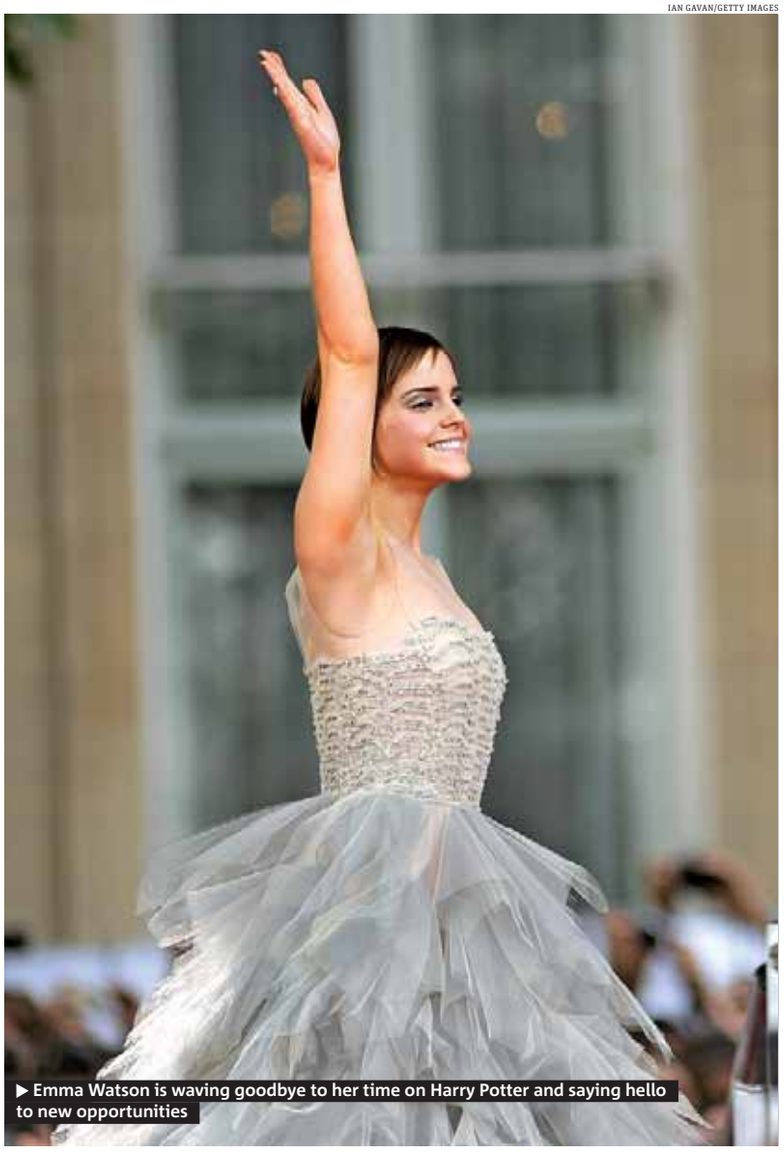

▶ Emma Watson is waving goodbye to her time on Harry Potter and saying hello to new opportunities

Actress looking forward to new films, new schools and new changes

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From the age of nine, British actress Emma Watson has lived and breathed Harry Potter — having starred in all eight of the films as Potter's close friend, the bookish Muggle-born Hermione Granger. While Watson gave a tearful speech at the final film's premiere in London last week, as Harry Potter and the Deathly Hallows: Part Two gets released, the actress is also eagerly awaiting her post-Potter life — even if she and Hermione have basically already become the same person.

What was your last scene as Hermione?

The last shot we did was this strange moment where we dive into the fireplace in the Ministry of Magic. It was actually for part one, not part two and so Dan, Rupert and I one by one jumped onto these blue safety mats. It seemed like a strange scene to go out on but actually (director David Yates) made the point that we were leaping into the unknown.

It was kind of a perfect metaphor for what we were all about to go into. I can't tell you how I felt when we were shooting it.

Were there any last moments from shooting that stick out in your mind?

This film was obviously incredibly challenging for me.

It really pushed me as an actress but at the same time, I was able to use a lot of my own genuine emotion that I felt about loss and it all coming to an end. So yeah, not much acting required, really. It was all there for me.

What's next for you?

It's obviously scary — change is always scary, but I feel like I'm entering a new chapter, like I get a fresh start, and there's something really exciting about that. I have just made a film called The Perks of Being a Wallflower which was just an incredible experience.

So are you going back to Brown?

I'm going to Oxford in the fall to study English for a year. I haven't left Brown. I'm still enrolled at Brown but I'm doing my third year abroad, studying at home, abroad for me. I'll go back to the States for my last year. I took a semester off but my A-level credits actually count as an advance placement.

> **"This film was obviously incredibly challenging for me."** EMMA WATSON

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Jersey Shore

Assault charges will be dismissed if Jersey Shore cast member Ronald (Ronnie) Ortiz-Magro stays out of trouble. The charges stem from a fight outside a Seaside Heights nightclub in 2009 that was shown during the first season of the MTV reality series. A judge in Ocean County on Monday admitted the 25-year-old Bronx, New York, resident into a pretrial intervention program for 18 months. Under the program, he neither admits nor denies guilt.
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Patty, Ellen and a new life for 'Damages' as legal thriller returns

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GLORIANA LEARNS OF BREAKUP ON TWITTER

The members of Gloriana found out like the rest of us that band mate Cheyenne Kimball was leaving the group: on Twitter.

Singer Tom Gossin told The Associated Press that Kimball took off after their show on Friday without a word and didn't respond to their emails. The next time they heard from her was a post on the group's Twitter page Saturday, saying she was leaving the band. The tweet has since been deleted.

"A band is a lot like a relationship," Gossin said. "Throughout the whole four years of this band there's always ups and downs. It wasn't particularly a down moment or anything like that. So, yeah, it was a big surprise."

The band said they will press on with their tour. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

FILM FRANCHISES AND THEIR PHENOMENON

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HANDOUT

▶ The James Bond franchise may have the Harry Potter series in its sights, but the wizard is still the box office winner.

In 2005 when the fourth installment of the Harry Potter films hit screens, I wrote, 'The Harry Potter phenomenon is so powerful that you could have called this Harry Potter Drinks a Goblet of Water and presented an Andy Warhol-style film of young Harry chugging a glass of H2O for two hours and Potterheads would still wear their wizard hats and line up to see it.'

Astonishingly, six years later, the same holds true for the final installment of the series, Harry Potter and the Deathly Hallows: Part 2.

It's not uncommon for movie franchises to span years and hang on to loyal fans. But to have the seven films in the series so far gross an average $909,906,449 each is astounding.

That kind of number speaks as much to the ferocity of the Potterheads as it does to the quality of the movies. The next highest grossing movie series is the James Bond franchise, which originated in 1962.

The super spy has shot and seduced his way through 22 official 007 releases for a worldwide box office total of $5,029,014,110.

Interestingly Harry Potter-player Daniel Radcliffe expressed interest in taking on the role of the teenaged James Bond in a planned film based on the Young Bond series of books.

Perhaps he can bring some of his magic to the part and create another successful franchise.

The Potter films are unique in the sense that the cast has stayed unchanged. Radcliffe, Emma Watson and Rupert Grint were all magically transformed into multi-millionaires playing Harry, Hermione and Ron.

Their presence in the films has provided a sense of continuity from one film to the next, but it's not always necessary for actors to be yoked to characters in multiple sequels and spin-offs. There have been six James Bonds and Batman – the highest grossing superhero series – and they've seen everyone from Michael Keaton to Christian Bale wear the crusader's cape.

Even though George Clooney's installment, Batman and Robin, was a critical and financial disaster — Clooney himself called the film "a waste of money" and volunteered to personally refund money to audience members — it didn't stop the franchise. Eight years later Batman was reinvented by Christopher Nolan as The Dark Knight, which grossed $1,001,842,429 at the box office.

Not sure if recasting and reimaging Harry Potter would work, but, who knows? Maybe 10 years from now Hollywood will have a Potter new cast and new stories for a new generation.

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‘I actually thought I was going to die’

Orlando Bloom’s wife talks about turning down pain meds while giving birth to their son, Flynn

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▶ Miranda Kerr’s baby weighed almost 10 pounds.

Miranda Kerr admits that giving birth to her and Orlando Bloom’s son, Flynn, in January was more than a little difficult.

“I actually thought I was going to die at one point and left my body,” she tells InStyle Australia.

“I was looking down on myself, the pain was so intense. I kept thinking, ‘How do women do this?’ But if other women have done this, I can do it too. I was determined.”

Kerr says she decided against any anesthetic during her 27-hour labour.

When he was born, Flynn weighed in at nearly 10 pounds.

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Jewel gives birth to a baby boy

Jewel and her husband, Ty Murray, welcomed a baby boy, Kase Townes Murray, on Monday, the singer confirms to People magazine.

“Ty and I are so pleased to welcome our new baby boy into the world,” Jewel tells the magazine. “We are overcome with happiness. It really is as great as everyone told us it would be — better even!”

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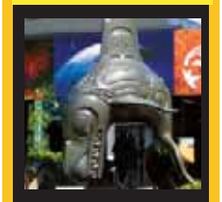

A B.C. ranch in Cariboo region and a Vancouver restaurant received gold awards from the U.K.-based Green Tourism Business Scheme. The Siwash Lake Ranch offers horseback-riding and fly-fishing vacations. The Refinery restaurant says it uses only energy-efficient equipment and sustainable building materials.
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Celebrated ceilings around the world give tourists reason to look up.

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▶ A military chapel, left, is illuminated during a night tour on Alcatraz Island in San Francisco. Alcatraz at night offers visitors an eerie adventure and different perspective on prison life.

Foggy Alcatraz by night

Touring this former prison by night is 'kind of eerie with the fog and lights' says a visitor
Off-limit areas including the dungeon and hospital are free to roam about when its dark

When night fell on The Rock in San Francisco Bay, visitors moved shadow-like through the former prison's lantern-lit hospital rooms.

A hard wind whooshed and rattled a window in the hospital cell where Robert Stroud, The Birdman of Alcatraz, spent 11 of his 17 years at the dankest, hardest federal prison in the U.S.

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▶ A woman looks through bulletproof glass into a visitation area.

Yet most of the more than one million tourists who visit annually never experience Alcatraz Island at night or see its spooky, decrepit hospital.

At dusk the island prison that housed some of the nation's most notorious criminals — including Al Capone and the recently rearrested James (Whitey) Bulger, who was on The Rock for bank robbery from 1959 to 1963 — is often enshrouded by fog. Lamps on the grounds emit a ghostly glow.

The difference from the daytime tour is apparent.

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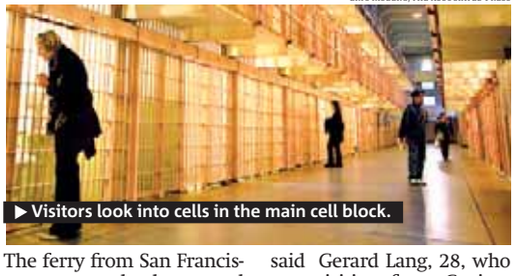

▶ Visitors look into cells in the main cell block.

The ferry from San Francisco motors slowly around the isle, passing decrepit buildings surrounded by Alcatraz's new residents: cormorants, gulls and other birds there since U.S. Attorney General Robert Kennedy shuttered the prison in 1963.

"This is a little eerie," said Gerard Lang, 28, who was visiting from Covington, Ky. "You kind of feel like you're heading to prison yourself."

Once inside the prison, the audio tour features stories from ex-inmates and former prison guards in their own voices. You can sense the isolation, the desperation.

On the ride back to shore, San Francisco's skyline glowed through the fog and many remarked on the unique evening spent on Alcatraz. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

The way there

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▶ A 1935 TA Bank of Canada $25 note from the Bank of Canada's Currency Museum.

Royal faces on dollar bills

Bank ordered printers to 'tone down' the highlights when an image of the Queen's hair looked like a demon

From Victoria to Elizabeth, the faces of royalty have appeared on Canadian government banknotes — and not always in the most flattering light.

Portraits of all those royals — others include Princess Patricia, Prince Arthur, Princess Mary and King George VI — are on display in Royal Generations, an exhibit at the Bank of Canada's Currency Museum honouring the visit to Canada by Prince William and Kate.

Having royalty on Canadian money "underlines the strength of the currency," says Paul Berry, the museum's chief curator.

In the 19th century, even the monarch's representative in Canada, the governor general, was often shown on the currency, along with his spouse.

In addition to engraved portraits, the exhibit includes samples of banknotes, such as a $25 bill from 1935 showing King George V beside Queen Mary.

As well, there is equipment used in the making of paper money, such as engraving tools and plates.

The engraving process goes back centuries and has changed "remarkably little" over the years, the museum says.

Also displayed is the original steel engraving of Elizabeth used for the notorious "devil's head" notes of the mid-1950s.

"After the notes had been out for about two years (in every denomination from $1 to $1,000), someone happened to notice that if you focused on the highlights of the Queen's hair directly above her left ear, it took on the appearance of a grinning demon with bulging eyes and a large crooked nose," said Berry.

The bank subsequently ordered its printers to "tone down" the highlights so the image could not be seen, he said.

There is no legal requirement to put the reigning monarch on banknotes, Berry said.

Designs are developed by the Bank of Canada and approved by the minister of finance. Former prime ministers Robert Borden, Wilfrid Laurier and Sir John A. Macdonald are among those on current notes.

Royal Generations is on display until Aug. 1.

The Currency Museum is located in the Bank of Canada buildings in downtown Ottawa.

Admission is free.

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Hot Gossip Girl star Tika Sumpter was born in Queens, raised on Long Island and is a New Yorker through and through When she's not acting, singing or modelling, she's making the most of the restaurants, clubs and Broadway shows that the Big Apple has to offer See her next in her latest comedy What's Your Number? with Anna Faris

New York City by night

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I love living in New York. One, because this is where I'm from and two, because it's so eclectic. The city is alive. It has every kind of food and person you could ever want to meet. People should come for the culture, shows and amazing shopping.

Eat

My favourite restaurant is Buenos Aires. It serves great Argentinean food (buenosairesnyc.com). I go to Abe and Arthur's for great steak and cocktails (abeandarthursrestaurant.com). Also, I love Lure, a fish restaurant in SoHo that is designed to look like a luxury yacht. It has a great ambiance and delicious seafood (lurefishbar.com).

▶ Buenos Aires

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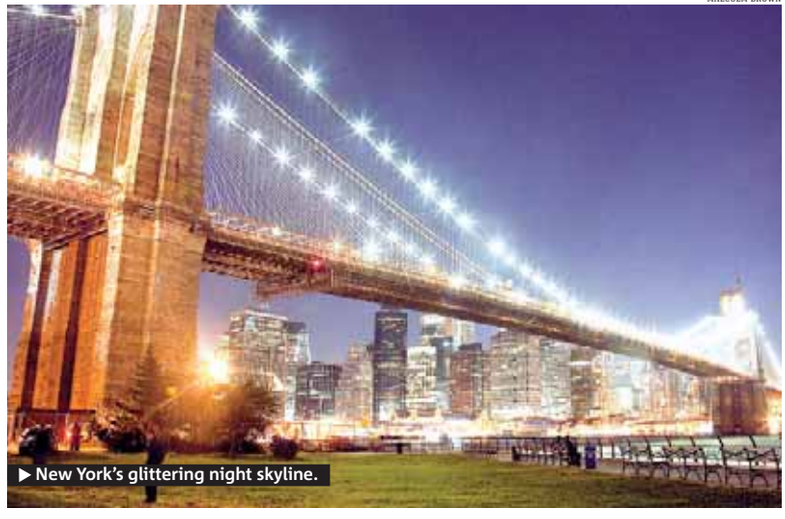
▶ New York's glittering night skyline.

First time?

As a newbie, I'd go to a broadway show first. I saw By the Way, Meet Vera Stark with Sanaa Lathan at Second Stage (2st.com) and Chris Rock's Broadway debut The M****F*****with the Hat at Gerald Schoenfeld Theatre (shubertorganization.com). They are both fantastic! Tenement Museum is also a must see! (tenement.org)

▶ One Oak

Go out

My favourite places to go out to in New York all have great decor and lots of room to dance and have a good time with friends.

A.SL is a glamorous nightclub (simyonelounge.com). One Oak is a very cool and stylish club between Chelsea and the Meatpacking district (1oaknyc.com).

Or check out TenJune, a club with three very different areas (tenjunenyc.com).

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The Chelsea neighbourhood in Manhattan has several brownstones that have been converted into hotels that are worth considering. The most stylish is the Colonial House Inn (colonialhouseinn.com). The cosy rooms feel like you've rented an apartment.

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Dinner deals

- There are meal deals on almost every block here. Start with brunch — a favourite meal for New Yorkers. Marharlika (351 E. 12 St. at First Ave) is a pop-up restaurant, only open on weekends from 12 p.m. to 3 p.m. They offer a Filipino twist, as well as more daring options like pig's snout. You can only make reservations via text (917-710-5457) so plan ahead as it fills up fast.
- Another favourite of New Yorkers is Dim Sum. In Chinatown try Dim Sum Go Go (5 East Broadway; 212-732-0797). Dumplings are their specialty, with colourful and delicious $12 US platters. Everything on the menu is a dollar less at lunch.
- Uptown in Harlem, the recently opened Red Rooster Harlem (redroosterharlem.com) is the perfect comfort food option in a stylish setting.
- True New Yorkers eat at Roberta's Pizza (robertaspizza.com). They make a pie with delicious crust and a plethora of toppings. It's a great place to gawk at the hipster patrons' skinny jeans and bushy beards.

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- Another favourite of New Yorkers is Dim Sum. In Chinatown try Dim Sum Go Go (5 East Broadway; 212-732-0797). Dumplings are their specialty, with colourful and delicious $12 US platters. Everything on the menu is a dollar less at lunch.
- Uptown in Harlem, the recently opened Red Rooster Harlem (redroosterharlem.com) is the perfect comfort food option in a stylish setting.
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When Lorin Gardypie began to move to the music in the middle of the circle at Wanuskewin Heritage park, the boys sat transfixed. He explained everything — from the significance of the two eagle feathers in his headdress, to the love he carries for his First Nations' ancestors and the boys listened intently. And then, forgetting school was out, they shot their hands in the air and asked question after question.

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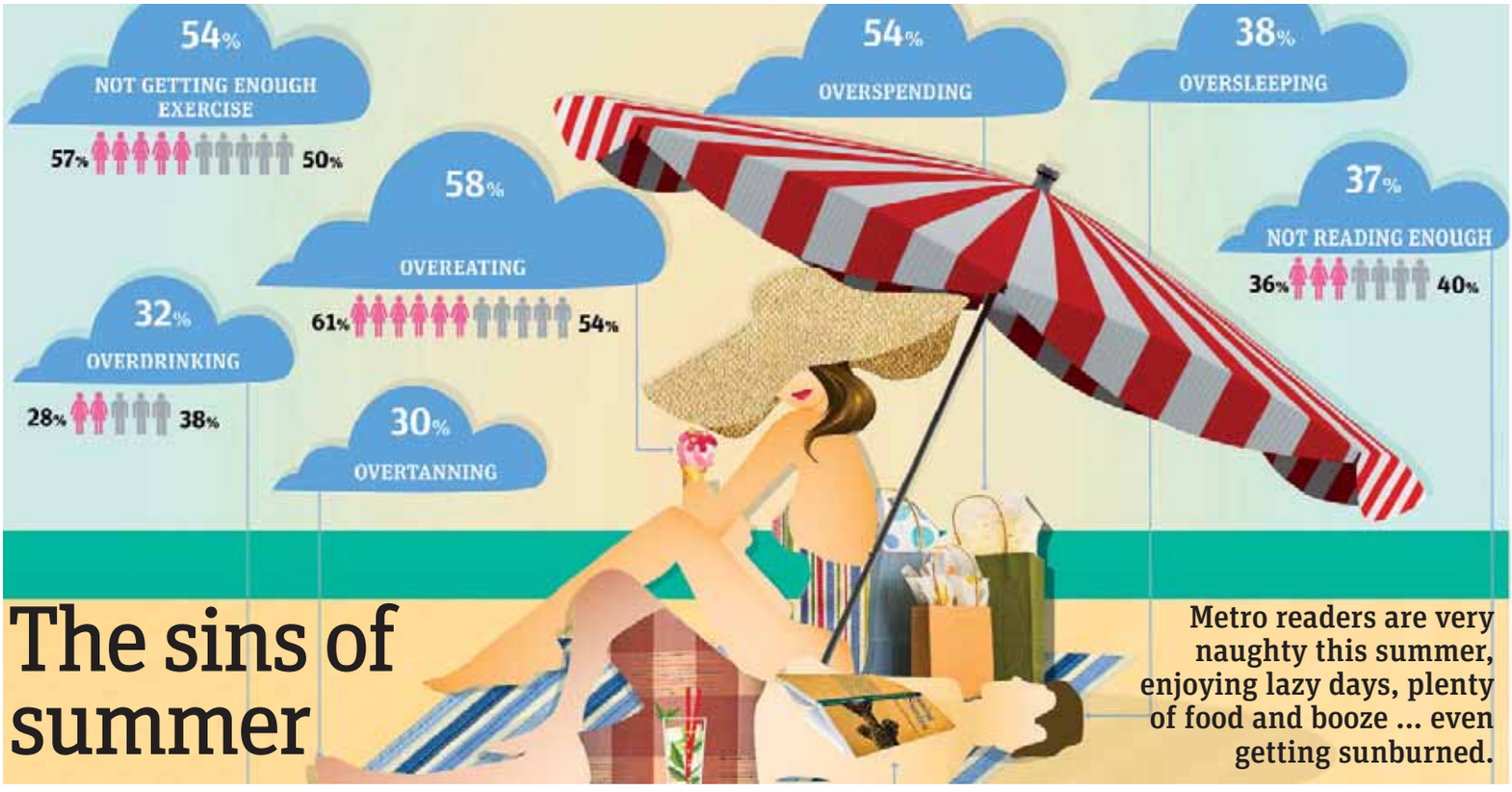

The sins of summer

Metro readers are very naughty this summer, enjoying lazy days, plenty of food and booze ... even getting sunburned.

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Drink of the week

Summer Lemon Zinger

Designed for barbecues or picnics, this recipe serves one, but quantities can easily be increased.

- 45 ml (3 tbsp) whisky
- 30 ml (2 tbsp) tea (brewed strong; cooled)
- 60 ml (4 tbsp) freshly made lemonade (equal parts lemon juice, sugar and water)
- Fruit, for garnish

In a glass, combine ingredients over ice. Garnish with fresh fruit such as lemon.

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Summer's versatile protein

Barbecue flank beef works perfectly in refreshing salads like this Vietnamese-inspired one, which is ideal for sit-down dinners It can be dressed down in sandwiches for picnics

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This refreshing salad features flank beef, cucumbers, shredded lettuce, bean sprouts, tomatoes and vermicelli noodles.

Ingredients:

Vietnamese Flank Steak
- 2 cloves garlic, minced
- 1 shallot, finely chopped
- 25 ml (5 tsp) packed brown sugar
- 20 ml (4 tsp) vegetable oil
- 15 ml (1 tbsp) each fish sauce and soy sauce
- 1 ml (1/4 tsp) pepper
- 750 g (1 1/2 lb) beef flank marinating steak

Noodle Salad
- 250 g (8 oz) fine rice vermicelli
- 750 ml (3 cups) shredded lettuce
- 750 ml (3 cups) fresh bean sprouts
- 12 fresh mint sprigs
- Half an English cucumber, julienned
- 1 tomato, cut into wedges (optional)
- 125 ml (1/2 cup) chopped roasted peanuts

Sauce
- 125 ml (1/2 cup) cold water
- 45 ml (3 tbsp) lime juice
- 30 ml (2 tbsp) sugar
- 30 ml (2 tbsp) fish sauce
- 1 Thai chili, thinly sliced

Barbecued flank beef shines in sandwiches and salads like this one.

Pick up an extra flank steak when shopping and throw it on the grill.

Use one in this recipe with fresh vegetables and serve the second the next night in an open-face steak and cheddar melt sandwich.

Preparation:

1. In a large resealable freezer bag, combine garlic, shallot, brown sugar, oil, fish sauce, soy sauce and pepper. Pierce steak all over with a fork; place in bag and refrigerate for 8 hours or up to 24 hours.
2. Place steak on greased grill over medium-high heat (200 C/400 F); close lid and grill for 5 to 6 minutes per side for medium. Remove from heat. Tent with foil; let stand for 5 minutes before slicing across the grain.
3. Noodle Salad: Cook vermicelli according to package instructions. Place in a shallow bowl or platter along with shredded lettuce, fresh bean sprouts, mint sprigs, cucumber and tomato, if using. Top with roasted peanuts.
4. Sauce: In a bowl, combine water, lime juice, sugar, fish sauce and chili; splash over noodle salad and toss to combine.
5. Serve salad with steak.

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Fresh peas mingle with mint

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Ingredients:

Salad
- 375 ml (1 1/2 cups) cooked, chilled fresh peas or thawed frozen baby peas
- 2 stalks celery, thinly sliced
- 175 ml (3/4 cup) finely chopped parsley
- 50 ml (1/4 cup) finely chopped fresh mint
- 50 ml (1/4 cup) snipped fresh chives

Orange-Dijon Dressing
- 15 ml (1 tbsp) canola oil
- 15 ml (1 tbsp) frozen orange juice concentrate, thawed
- 15 ml (1 tbsp) apple cider vinegar
- 5 ml (1 tsp) Dijon mustard

Preparation:

1. Salad: In a large salad bowl, toss together peas, celery, parsley, mint and chives.
2. Dressing: In a small bowl, whisk together oil, orange juice concentrate, vinegar and Dijon.
3. Pour dressing over salad and toss well. Serve.

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An intern's insight

STUDENT VOICE

EMILY MOORHOUSE
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During my three year Public Relations Advanced Diploma program at Humber College, we were required to complete a 15-week internship in order to graduate.

The process of finding an internship while in school was made easier as we had an online portal where employers could post opportunities that we could apply for.

I managed to get an internship at a start-up company and received an honorarium of $100 a month.

However, as the company was small, they didn't have the funding for me to stay on as a full-time employee. While I was still interning, my supervisor was amazing at reaching out to her contacts to help me find a job.

I also utilized many online tools for my job search, including Twitter, job search engines and email. I emailed as many public relations agencies as I could, briefly explaining my experience and how I could fit in with their company.

During this process, I learned how important it is to customize your cover letter and objective to the specific place you are applying. It's also crucial to double and triple check for correct names and spelling.

In the end I saw a posting for a social media internship for an online global publication. I sent an email to the social media manager, which included a brief introduction of myself, my cover letter and my resumé.

I then spoke with her on the phone, and was offered an interview at the Toronto office. Thankfully, I'm a people person and I don't get shy when it comes to talking about career related topics. After leaving the interview feeling confident, I was later offered the internship.

I think it's important to do at least one or two internships before searching for entry-level careers. Internships give you a chance to develop your skills and get a better understanding of the work environments that you enjoy (or don't enjoy!).

Another plus of internships is, depending on the impression you leave and the size of the company, you may be offered a job after your placement.

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What I learned

Key take-aways from Emily's experience:

- Build a network of contacts by attending events and meeting new people. Bring along personal business cards to show others that you're prepared and serious about the job hunt.
- Internships are a great way to develop new skills and test different work environments. With one or two internships under your belt, you'll be more ready for the work world when you start searching for entry-level positions.

Where Emily is now

Since I just graduated in June, I'm currently doing a full-time, paid internship. I felt this was the best way to go as it would allow me to make a bit of money, while also gaining more experience in my field. I also plan to further my education sometime in the near future.

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▶ Emily Moorhouse recommends employers who take on interns always remember to give them a decent amount of work and responsibility.

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- the **LDL-C cholesterol test**, which patients should receive every year
- a **retinal eye exam**, which patients should receive every two years

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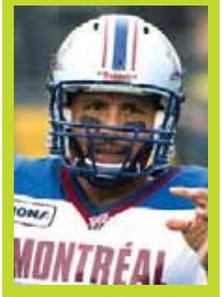

"Everything that I've been able to accomplish with my teammates here has been special.... The Grey Cups, the wins and, on a personal note, the touchdown passes."

MONTREAL ALOUETTES QUARTERBACK ANTHONY CALVILLO, WHO IS TIED WITH FORMER TORONTO ARGONAUT DAMON ALLEN FOR THE CFL TOUCHDOWN PASSES RECORD WITH 394. CALVILLO CAN BEAT THE RECORD WHEN THE ALS HOST THE ARGOS FRIDAY.

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▶ National League all-star Prince Fielder of the Brewers rounds the bases after hitting a home run last night.

All-star Prince of pop

Brewers slugger paces National League to second-straight all-star victory

Pitching, speed and a little bit of power. The National League is back on top in the all-star game, using the same formula that worked during its dominating run in the 1970s and '80s.

Prince Fielder hit a three-run homer and Roy Halladay and his relief combined on a six-hitter to lead the NL over the American League 5-1 last night, giving the senior circuit its first two-game winning streak since the mid-1990s.

The victory handed the NL home-field advantage in the World Series. With several big names as no-shows at Chase Field in Phoenix, the AL lost more than the game.

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Boston right-hander Josh Beckett warmed up, then bowed out with a sore knee. Detroit slugger Miguel Cabrera left after hurting his side.

Even before they were hurt, many stars were missing. Justin Verlander, Felix Hernandez and many other aces started Sunday and were ineligible. Chipper Jones and Alex Rodriguez were among those on the disabled list and Derek Jeter wanted a break. In all, 16 of 84 all-stars were dropped.

Tyler Clippard got the win despite allowing a single to Adrian Beltre, his only batter. Relievers Clayton Kershaw, Jair Jurrjens, Craig Kimbrel, Jonny Venters, Heath Bell, Joel Hanrahan and Brian Wilson combined to keep the NL ahead.

Fielder won the MVP award after becoming the first Brewers player to homer in an all-star game. The World Series edge could help him later, with Milwaukee and St. Louis tied for the Central Division lead at the break.

The NL dashed around the bases and stole three bags, all in one inning.

In all, the Nationals have enjoyed their best run since taking three in a row from 1994-96 — they had lost 12 straight games played to a decision before a 3-1 victory at Anaheim last year. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Jays send Rivera to Dodgers

The Toronto Blue Jays traded outfielder Juan Rivera to the Los Angeles Dodgers yesterday in exchange for a player to be named or cash considerations.

The 33-year-old appeared in 70 games for the Blue Jays this season, batting .243 with six home runs and 27 RBIs prior to being designated for assignment July 3, the same day Travis Snider was recalled from triple-A Las Vegas.

Rivera was acquired by Toronto in January with catcher Mike Napoli from the Los Angeles Angels in exchange for centre-fielder Vernon Wells.

Napoli was dealt to the Texas Rangers for reliever Frank Francisco.

In 887 games in 11 big league seasons with the Yankees, Expos, Angels and Blue Jays, Rivera has a .277 average with 118 home runs and 446 RBIs.

Rivera is scheduled to make $5.25 million US this season.

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▶ Juan Rivera

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Toronto	45	47	.489	11
Baltimore	36	52	.409	18

CENTRAL DIVISION

	W	L	Pct	GB
Detroit	49	43	.533	—
Cleveland	47	42	.528	½
Chicago	44	48	.478	5
Minnesota	41	48	.461	6½
Kansas City	37	54	.407	11½

WEST DIVISION

	W	L	Pct	GB
Texas	51	41	.554	—
Los Angeles	50	42	.543	1
Seattle	43	48	.473	7½
Oakland	39	53	.424	12

Last night's result
All-Star Game — At Phoenix
American at National League
Monday's results
No Games Scheduled.
Today's games
No Games Scheduled.
Tomorrow's games
All Times Eastern
Cleveland at Baltimore, 7:05 p.m.
N.Y. Yankees at Toronto, 7:07 p.m.
Kansas City at Minnesota, 8:10 p.m.
L.A. Angels at Oakland, 10:07 p.m.
Texas at Seattle, 10:10 p.m.

NATIONAL LEAGUE

EAST DIVISION

	W	L	Pct	GB
Philadelphia	57	34	.626	—
Atlanta	54	38	.587	3½
New York	46	45	.505	11
Washington	46	46	.500	11½
Florida	43	48	.473	14

CENTRAL DIVISION

	W	L	Pct	GB
Milwaukee	49	43	.533	—
St. Louis	49	43	.533	—
Pittsburgh	47	43	.522	1
Cincinnati	45	47	.489	4
Chicago	37	55	.402	12
Houston	30	62	.326	19

WEST DIVISION

	W	L	Pct	GB
San Francisco	52	40	.565	—
Arizona	49	43	.533	3
Colorado	43	48	.473	8½
Los Angeles	41	51	.446	11
San Diego	40	52	.435	12

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MLB HOME RUN DERBY

At Phoenix
Late Monday's results

First Round	Tot	Long
Adrian Gonzalez, Boston	9	447
Robinson Cano, N.Y. Yankees	8	472
Prince Fielder, Milwaukee	5	452
David Ortiz, Boston	5	433
Matt Holliday, St. Louis	5	443
Jose Bautista, Toronto	4	412
Rickie Weeks, Milwaukee	3	427
Matt Kemp, L.A. Dodgers	2	427
Swing Off (5 Swings)	**Tot**	**Long**
Prince Fielder, Milwaukee	5	455
David Ortiz, Boston	4	459
Matt Holliday, St. Louis	2	—
Second Round	**2R**	**Tot Long**
Robinson Cano, N.Y. Yankees	12	20 —
Adrian Gonzalez, Boston	11	20 452
David Ortiz, Boston	4	9 —
Prince Fielder, Milwaukee	4	9 474
Championship Round	**Tot**	**Avg.**
Robinson Cano, N.Y. Yankees	12	433
Adrian Gonzalez, Boston	11	420

TENNIS

ATP MERCEDES CUP

At Stuttgart, Germany
Singles — First Round
Gael Monfils (1), France, leads Victor Hanescu, Romania, 4-2 (susp., rain).
Santiago Giraldo, Colombia, def. Jurgen Melzer (2), Austria, 6-4, 7-5.
Mikhail Youzhny (3), Russia, def. Philipp Petzschner, Germany, 6-3, 6-3.
Federico del Bonis, Argentina, def. Florian Mayer (5), Germany, 6-2, 6-3.
Cedrik-Marcel Stebe, Germany, def. Nikolay Davydenko (6), Russia, 3-6, 6-1, 6-4.
Juan Carlos Ferrero, Spain, def. Bastian Knittel, Germany, 6-2, 6-4.
Lukasz Kubot, Poland, def. Daniel Gimeno-Traver, Spain, 7-6 (2), 3-6, 6-2.
Pablo Andujar, Spain, def. Victor Crivoi, Romania, 6-2, 6-1.
Pavol Cervenak, Slovakia, def. Mischa Zverev, Germany, 6-4, 4-6, 6-2.
Jeremy Chardy, France, def. Tobias Kamke, Germany, 7-6 (1), 6-1.
Fabio Fognini, Italy, def. Robin Kern, Germany, 6-4, 6-1.
Benoit Paire, France, def. Evgeny Donskoy, Russia, 6-7 (3), 6-4, 6-2.
Doubles — First Round
Daniele Bracciali, Italy, and Dick Norman, Belgium, def. Lukasz Kubot, Poland, and Oliver Marach (1), Austria, 6-3, 7-6 (8).
Jurgen Melzer, Austria, and Philipp Petzschner (2), Germany, def. Fabio Fognini and Paolo Lorenzi, Italy, 6-4, 6-2.
Christopher Kas, Germany, and Alexander Peya (4), Austria, def. Guillermo Garcia-Lopez, Spain, and Lovro Zovko, Croatia, 6-3, 6-2.

ATP SKISTAR SWEDISH OPEN

At Bastad, Sweden
Singles — First Round
Potito Starace (8), Italy, def. Julian Reister, Germany, 7-6 (6), 6-3.
Michael Ryderstedt, Sweden, def. Maximo Gonzalez, Argentina, 6-4, 2-6, 6-2.
Blaz Kavcic, Slovenia, def. Julien Benneteau, France, 6-4, 4-6, 7-5.
Pere Riba, Spain, def. Christian Lindell, Sweden, 6-4, 6-2.
Diego Junqueira, Argentina, def. Igor Andreev, Russia, 7-6 (3), 3-6, 6-4.
Jonathan Dasnieres de Veigy, France, def. Andreas Vinciguerra, Sweden, 6-1, 1-6, 6-3.
Guillermo Olaso, Spain, def. Antonio Veic, Croatia, 6-4, 6-1.
Teymuraz Gabashvili, Russia, def. Michael Yani, U.S., 6-3, 3-6, 6-3.

WTA SNAI OPEN

At Palermo, Sicily
Singles — First Round
Roberta Vinci (2), Italy, def. Sesil Karatantcheva, Kazakhstan, 6-2, 7-5.
Sara Errani (3), Italy, def. Regina Kulikova, Russia, 6-1, 6-3.
Klara Zakopalova (4), Czech Republic, def. Anastasia Pivovarova, Russia, 0-6, 6-1, 6-1.
Anabel Medina Garrigues (5), Spain, def. Anna Floris, Italy, 6-3, 6-3.
Polona Hercog (7), Slovenia, def. Karin Knapp, Italy, 5-7, 6-4, 6-2.
Petra Cetkovska (8), Czech Republic, def. Elena Bovina, Russia, 6-1, 7-5.
Irina-Camelia Begu, Romania, def. Maria Elena Camerin, Italy, 6-2, 7-5.
Pauline Parmentier, France, def. Jill Craybas, U.S., 6-4, 3-6, 6-4.

CYCLING

TOUR DE FRANCE

10th Stage — 158 kilometres (hilly terrain)
1. Andre Greipel, Germany, Omega Pharma-Lotto, three hours 31 minutes 21 seconds; 2. Mark Cavendish, Britain, HTC-Highroad, same time; 3. Jose Joaquin Rojas, Spain, Movistar, s.t.; 4. Thor Hushovd, Norway, Garmin-Cervelo, s.t.; 5. Romain Feillu, France, Vacansoleil-DCM, s.t.; 6. Daniel Oss, Italy, Liquigas-Cannondale, s.t.; 7. Sebastien Hinault, France, AG2R La Mondiale, s.t.; 8. Borut Bozic, Slovenia, Vacansoleil-DCM, s.t.; 9. Geraint Thomas, Britain, Sky Procycling, s.t.; 10. Samuel Dumoulin, France, Cofidis, s.t.
11. William Bonnet, France, Francaise des Jeux, s.t.; 12. Tomas Vaitkus, Lithuania, Astana, s.t.; 13. Grega Bole, Slovenia, Lampre-ISD, s.t.; 14. Philippe Gilbert, Belgium, Omega Pharma-Lotto, s.t.; 15. Edvald Boasson Hagen, Norway, Sky Procycling, s.t.; 16. Danilo Hondo, Germany, Lampre-ISD, s.t.; 17. Gianni Meersman, Belgium, Francaise des Jeux, s.t.; 18. Alan Perez, Spain, Euskaltel-Euskadi, s.t.; 19. Nicolas Roche, Ireland, AG2R La Mondiale, s.t.; 20. Kevin De Weert, Belgium, Quick Step, s.t.
Also — 24. Cadel Evans, Australia, BMC, s.t.; 25. Jakob Fuglsang, Denmark, Leopard-Trek, s.t.; 31. Alberto Contador, Spain, Saxo Bank Sungard, s.t.; 34. Tony Martin, Germany, HTC-Highroad, s.t.; 35. Frank Schleck, Luxembourg, Leopard-Trek, s.t.; 36. Thomas Voeckler, France, Europcar, s.t.; 38. Andy Schleck, Luxembourg, Leopard-Trek, s.t.; 42. Luis Leon Sanchez, Spain, Rabobank, s.t.; **142. Ryder Hesjedal, Victoria, Garmin-Cervelo, 5:59.**
OVERALL STANDINGS (AFTER 10 STAGES)
1. Thomas Voeckler, France, Europcar, 42 hours six minutes 32 seconds; 2. Luis Leon Sanchez, Spain, Rabobank, one minute 49 seconds behind; 3. Cadel Evans, Australia, BMC, 2:26; 4. Frank Schleck, Luxembourg, Leopard-Trek, 2:29; 5. Andy Schleck, Luxembourg, Leopard-Trek, 2:37; 6. Tony Martin, Germany, HTC-Highroad, 2:38; 7. Peter Velits, Slovakia, HTC-Highroad, s.t.; 8. Andreas Kloeden, Germany, RadioShack, 2:43; 9. Philippe Gilbert, Belgium, Omega Pharma-Lotto, 2:55; 10. Jakob Fuglsang, Denmark, Leopard-Trek, 3:08.
Canadian — 52. Ryder Hesjedal, Victoria, Garmin-Cervelo, 15:32.

GOLF

LPGA MONEY LEADERS

All figures in U.S. dollars

	Trn	Money
1. Yani Tseng	11	$1,329,383
2. Cristie Kerr	11	$1,064,765
3. Suzann Pettersen	9	$767,649
4. Karrie Webb	11	$664,641
5. Stacy Lewis	11	$556,434
6. Brittany Lincicome	11	$548,902
7. Paula Creamer	11	$524,978
8. Morgan Pressel	11	$520,445
9. Angela Stanford	11	$517,100
10. I.K. Kim	9	$471,887
11. Hee Kyung Seo	10	$463,192
12. Jiyai Shin	10	$462,035
13. Na Yeon Choi	10	$401,654
14. Maria Hjorth	10	$377,084
15. Sandra Gal	9	$358,782
16. Michelle Wie	10	$331,574
17. Mika Miyazato	10	$320,500
18. Amy Yang	11	$300,156
19. Sun Young Yoo	11	$247,009
20. Catriona Matthew	9	$233,906
21. Mindy Kim	8	$216,368
22. Ai Miyazato	9	$213,756
23. Inbee Park	7	$200,923
24. Song-Hee Kim	11	$200,609
25. Meena Lee	9	$190,696
26. Juli Inkster	11	$187,902
27. Anna Nordqvist	10	$187,385
28. Katie Futcher	9	$179,288
29. Karen Stupples	11	$176,830
30. Se Ri Pak	10	$163,044
31. Shanshan Feng	11	$147,469
32. Candie Kung	10	$137,609
33. Beatriz Recari	11	$132,466
34. Chella Choi	9	$125,175
35. Sophie Gustafson	10	$122,492
36. Brittany Lang	11	$121,174
37. Katherine Hull	11	$114,862
38. Wendy Ward	11	$112,710
39. Azahara Munoz	11	$112,613
40. Natalie Gulbis	11	$108,911
41. Ryann O'Toole	5	$102,056
42. Paige Mackenzie	7	$97,451
43. Jimin Kang	11	$96,915
44. Stacy Prammanasudh	11	$95,550
45. Eun-Hee Ji	9	$94,518
46. Kyeong Bae	11	$91,700
47. Pat Hurst	9	$86,998
48. Amy Hung	11	$86,272
49. Pornanong Phatlum	8	$84,608
50. Vicky Hurst	11	$83,784

CHAMPIONS CHARLES SCHWAB CUP LEADERS

Through July 10
All figures in U.S. dollars

	Points	Money
1. Tom Lehman	1,533	$1,298,270
2. Nick Price	1,053	$1,008,718
3. John Cook	868	$1,025,362
4. Tom Watson	850	$546,105
5. David Eger	822	$746,594
6. Jeff Sluman	769	$893,535
7. Mark Wiebe	721	$766,804
8. Peter Senior	717	$572,997
9. Michael Allen	623	$612,083
10. Russ Cochran	531	$602,767
11. Loren Roberts	501	$410,842
12. Mark Calcavecchia	444	$498,510
13. Corey Pavin	398	$445,697
14. Jay Haas	388	$421,299
14. Hale Irwin	388	$378,673
16. Rod Spittle	**374**	**$528,290**
17. Jay Don Blake	356	$447,613
18. Joe Ozaki	341	$408,225
19. Kenny Perry	340	$295,668
20. Tom Pernice, Jr.	335	$417,575
21. David Frost	334	$534,012
22. Olin Browne	330	$448,478
23. Fred Funk	308	$440,299
24. Eduardo Romero	304	$200,033
25. John Huston	302	$355,552
Also		
44. Jim Rutledge	**104**	**$180,775**

SOCCER

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EASTERN CONFERENCE

	GP	W	L	T	GF	GA	Pt
Philadelphia	18	7	4	7	21	16	28
New York	20	6	4	10	34	24	28
Columbus	18	7	5	6	21	19	27
Houston	19	5	6	8	23	22	23
D.C. United	17	5	5	7	24	29	22
Kansas City	18	5	6	7	23	24	22
Chicago	19	2	5	12	20	24	18
Toronto	21	3	9	9	17	36	18
New England	18	3	8	7	16	24	16

WESTERN CONFERENCE

	GP	W	L	T	GF	GA	Pt
Los Angeles	21	10	2	9	27	16	39
Seattle	21	9	4	8	28	20	35
Dallas	19	10	5	4	26	19	34
Real Salt Lake	17	8	3	6	23	12	30
Colorado	20	6	5	9	22	23	27
Chivas USA	19	5	7	7	24	23	22
San Jose	18	5	6	7	28	21	21
Portland	17	5	9	3	21	31	18
Vancouver	20	2	10	8	19	28	14

Saturday's games
All Times Eastern
Colorado at Seattle, 4 p.m.
Real Salt Lake at Vancouver, 4 p.m.
San Jose at Columbus, 7:30 p.m.
Kansas City at Houston, 8:30 p.m.
Portland at Chicago, 8:30 p.m.
D.C. United at Dallas, 9 p.m.
New York at Chivas USA, 10:30 p.m.

NASL

	GP	W	L	T	GF	GA	Pt
Carolina	15	13	1	1	34	11	40
Edmonton	14	7	4	3	17	14	24
Puerto Rico	15	6	4	5	23	23	23
Minnesota	15	4	4	7	16	15	19
Tampa Bay	15	4	5	6	17	21	18
Fort Lauderdale	15	3	4	8	21	22	17
Montreal	14	2	8	4	11	15	10
Atlanta	15	2	11	2	15	33	8

Tonight's games
All Times Eastern
Fort Lauderdale at Montreal, 7:30 p.m.
Carolina at Edmonton, 9:30 p.m.
Sunday's games
Atlanta at Montreal, 3:30 p.m.
Tampa Bay at Edmonton, 6 p.m.
Puerto Rico at Minnesota, 8:30 p.m.

FIFA WOMEN'S WORLD CUP

Today's games
All Times Eastern
SEMIFINALS
At Moenchengladbach, Germany
France vs. U.S., Noon
At Frankfurt
Japan vs. Sweden, 2:45 p.m.
Saturday's games
THIRD PLACE
At Sinsheim, Germany
Semifinal losers, 11:30 a.m.
Sunday's game
CHAMPIONSHIP
At Frankfurt
Semifinal winners, 2:45 p.m.

EUROPEAN CHAMPIONS LEAGUE

SECOND ROUND — FIRST LEG
Yesterday's results
Maribor (Slovenia) 2 Dudelange (Luxembourg) 0
Mogren (Montenegro) 1 Litex Lovech (Bulgaria) 2
Pyunik (Armenia) 0 Viktoria Plzen (Czech Republic) 4
Shamrock Rovers (Ireland) 1 Flora Tallinn (Estonia) 0
Slovan Bratislava (Slovakia) 2 Tobol Kostanay (Kazakhstan) 0
Valletta (Malta) 2 Ekranas (Lithuania) 3
Today's games
Bangor City (Wales) vs. HJK Helsinki (Finland)
Dinamo Zagreb (Croatia) vs. Neftci (Azerbaijan)
Linfield (Northern Ireland) vs. BATE Borisov (Belarus)
Maccabi Haifa (Israel) vs. Borac Banja Luka (Bosnia-Herzegovina)
Malmo (Sweden) vs. Torshavn (Faeroe Islands)
Partizan (Serbia) vs. Skendija (Macedonia)
Rosenborg (Norway) vs. Breidablik (Iceland)
Skenderbeu (Albania) vs. APOEL (Cyprus)
Skonto Riga (Latvia) vs. Wisla Krakow (Poland)
Sturm Graz (Austria) vs. Videoton (Hungary)
Zestafoni (Georgia) vs. Dacia Chisinau (Moldova)

COPA AMERICA

Last night's results
At La Plata, Argentina
Uruguay 1 Mexico 0
At Mendoza, Argentina
Chile vs. Peru
Monday's result
At Cordoba, Argentina
Argentina 3 Costa Rica 0
Tonight's games
All Times Eastern
At Salta, Argentina
Paraguay vs. Venezuela, 6:15 p.m.
At Cordoba, Argentina
Brazil vs. Ecuador, 8:45 p.m.

QUARTER-FINALS

Saturday's games
At Cordoba, Argentina
QF1 — Colombia vs. Best-third place, 3 p.m.
At Santa Fe, Argentina
QF2 — Second A vs. Second C, 6:15 p.m.
Sunday's games
At La Plata, Argentina
QF3 — First B vs. Second-best third place, 3 p.m.
At San Juan, Argentina
QF4 — First C winner vs. Second B, 6:15 p.m.

CFL

WEEK THREE

EAST DIVISION

	GP	W	L	T	PF	PA	Pt
Montreal	2	2	0	0	69	51	4
Winnipeg	2	2	0	0	46	32	4
Toronto	2	1	1	0	39	43	2
Hamilton	2	0	2	0	26	52	0

WEST DIVISION

	GP	W	L	T	PF	PA	Pt
Edmonton	2	2	0	0	70	38	4
Calgary	2	1	1	0	55	55	2
B.C.	2	0	2	0	58	64	0
Saskatchewan	2	0	2	0	53	81	0

Tomorrow's game
All Times Eastern
Calgary at Winnipeg, 8 p.m.
Friday's game
Toronto at Montreal, 7:30 p.m.
Saturday's games
Saskatchewan at Hamilton, 4 p.m.
B.C. at Edmonton, 7 p.m.

PLAYERS OF THE WEEK

WEEK TWO
Offence — Anthony Calvillo, QB, Montreal Alouettes
Defence — Joe Lobendahn, LB, Winnipeg Blue Bombers
Special Teams — Rene Parades, K, Calgary Stampeders
Canadian — Jerome Messam, RB, Edmonton Eskimos

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20-second drop top

The Camaro's well-insulated power-operated cloth top is secured by a single centre-mounted latch and takes just 20 seconds for the windows to automatically lower and the top to fully retract.

Chevy can also supply a windscreen that's secured between the seats to help keep most baby-boomer comb-overs in place.

Smooth ride

The firm-riding Camaro features 20-inch wheels that, when tested, clung tenaciously to the twisty tarmac. The optional leather-covered bucket seats provided equal grip and were pleasantly comfortable for long-distance driving.

You'll also be hard-pressed to see or feel any bizarre shaking or body flex that's problematic on some other convertible designs.

Mighty SS

The Camaro convertible SS model comes with a 426-horsepower 6.2-litre V8 and a six-speed manual transmission.

There's also a 312-horsepower 3.6-litre V6 unit that comes with the optional six-speed automatic. Still, its extra-cost black centre stripe and 20-inch polished aluminum wheels made it appear almost indistinguishable from the mighty SS.

▶ For all its size, the Camaro convertible doesn't hold much in the way of people or cargo. But that's not really the point of this style statement, now is it.

Cruising season is finally here; need a reminder?

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High-school reunions are great for reminiscing about the way we were. And the perfect four-wheeled time machine for such an event is the 2011 Camaro convertible.

The year I departed my alma mater in 1967 was the Camaro's freshman season. By then, Ford's groundbreaking Mustang had been around for two and a half years and had generated worldwide sales in excess of 1.3 million copies.

Even so, the Chevy rival attracted plenty of attention with its head-turning good looks and enough available grunt to lay down lengthy rubber strips whenever the driver tapped the gas pedal.

To my teenage way of thinking, the original Camaro's sophistication and swagger (especially the Rally Sport convertible model with its hidden headlights) blew the Mustang into the weeds and would have been my personal preference if only I had possessed the financial wherewithal.

Chevrolet mothballed the Camaro on its 35th anniversary in 2002, but with great fanfare the stunning coupe returned for the 2010 model year.

The convertible was released this past February, just in time for the spring and summer cruising season.

Whether it's around the block or across the country, the Camaro should definitely transport you to another state of mind.

▶ While the rear seats can easily fit children, they should be declared off limits for anyone taller than five feet.

▶ One of the Camaro's few shortcomings is a steering wheel that partially blocks the gauges, regardless of tilt position.

Camaro convertible

What you should know about the 2011 Chevrolet Camaro convertible:

- **Types:** Two-door, rear-wheel-drive convertible.
- **Engine (hp):** 3.6-litre DOHC V6 (312); 6.2-litre OHV V8 (400-426).
- **Transmission:** Six-speed manual; six-speed automatic (opt.).
- **Market position:** Primary target is the Ford Mustang. With V6 and V8 powerplants, this Chevy appeals to a "newstalgic" crowd on the basis of style and performance with decent fuel economy.
- **Mileage:** L/100 km (city/hwy): 12.4/7.1 (V6, MT).

5 drive

By comparison

Ford Mustang
Base price: $32,900
Classic design with muscular V6 and V8 power. GT500 model sizzles.

Mitsubishi Eclipse
Low-volume ragtop has great looks, but I4 and optional V6 lack power.

Chrysler 200
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Restyled former Sebring is much improved. New V6 option adds punch.

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▶ An adventure trip with all-wheel-drive vehicles means putting them through their paces.

Well, maybe crazy adventure as this "drive" takes some, ahem, interesting twists and turns.

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The target is 500 metres away. Half a kilometre.

Without a powerful scope, the pop can at which I'm aiming the rifle isn't even visible.

"Control your breathing, Garry. Slowly inhale. Gently exhale. Keep the cross-hairs on the pop can because there is a half stick of dynamite in it and a hit means a big boom reward."

My finger twitches on the trigger of the 15 kilogram 50-calibre weapon.

I worry about the recoil ripping my shoulder off. I wonder how my wife, Lisa Calvi, and I will make out when the scores are finally tabulated on Volvo's XC Adventure, a zany two-day road trip between Los Angeles, Calif., and Gateway, Col.

We were competing against 15 other teams driving Volvo XC models: 60s, 70s and 90s.

Our ride was a Caspian blue — that's a dark blue, by the way — XC70 with all the bells and whistles, including a 300-horsepower turbocharged engine.

When we strapped into it two days earlier in L.A., I couldn't help but think of the Volvo I've owned for 31 years. The weathered blue and white 1980 DL wagon in which Ken Langley and I circumnavigated the planet in record time so many years ago has always been nicknamed Red Cloud.

"Let's call this one Blue Cloud, Lisa." My suggestion seemed more reasonable than calling a blue and white car Red Cloud.

So for the next 48 hours it was Lisa, Blue Cloud and I against teams from the likes of Road & Track, Motor Trend and Car & Driver magazines. Along the way we would have to make choices and test our stamina, wit and curiosity to earn points like the competitors in the hit TV show The Amazing Race.

Our first instruction seemed simple enough: get to the Las Vegas sign on the Vegas Strip by 3 p.m. that afternoon and average 25 mpg. No sweat.

I feather-footed Blue Cloud through the mountains to the high desert and brought it in at 25.6 mpg. Not bad for an all-wheel-drive tall wagon with mobility to go just about anywhere.

Along the way we completed many other tasks, including photographing three sharks in Shark Reef at Mandalay Bay Resort, scrambling up a 13-metre vertical rock face at a climbing centre, delivering dog food to the Humane Society in St. George, Utah and touring a ghost town to name just a few.

On the last day, while organizers were scoring the challenge, we hit the shooting range to fire 308 Winchester rifles at pop cans loaded with dynamite. I connect on my first shot and graduate to the massive 50-cal for the 500-metre target.

Slowly I squeeze the trigger.

BOOM!

It sounds like an F18 fighter breaking the sound barrier overhead. No dynamite exploding though.

"You missed by four inches, closest so far." The spotter seems impressed with my shooting prowess.

No big deal though because that night at the awards dinner we hit the target with the high-miler prize.

Proper thing for a Volvo named Blue Cloud, refined relative of Red Cloud, a 30-year-old relic that broke the around-the-world speed record so long ago.

About Garry

▶ Garry Sowerby, author of Sowerby's Road, Adventures of a Driven Mind, is a four-time Guinness World Record holder for long-distance driving.

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▶ The first task was to get to the Las Vegas sign at the south end of Las Vegas Blvd. This is not it. No worries, but getting there at a 25-mpg pace meant being light on the accelerator.

Top Gear

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1 Just what everyone needs: a bed for a pick-up bed. Available from California-based Pittman Products International, the patented AirBedz is available to fit most trucks on the road — and most bed lengths — and even includes cutouts to fit around the inner wheel housings. AirBedz would also work great for laying out in the sun on a warm day or for a tailgate party with friends. truckairbedz.com.

2 For small cars or for large families with bulky objects to transport, a rooftop carrier is a must. One of the more useful is the Skybox LoPro Titanium from Yakima Products Inc. The company offers dozens of carriers, but this 15-cubic-foot container features a low 28.5-centimetre height that cuts wind resistance (to aid fuel economy) and noise, while allowing your vehicle to fit inside most garages. yakima.com.

3 It used to be that only trained automotive technicians could determine the cause of that mysterious glowing "check-engine" light. But now you can diagnose just about any newer vehicle's system, determine the problem — and gather how much the repair should cost — with the CarMD. When plugged into the On Board Diagnostics port located just beneath the dashboard of your 1996 or newer vehicle, the tester's series of green, yellow and red lights will indicate if a problem exists. carmd.com.

4 Drivers who like to record and evaluate their vehicle's performance are likely familiar with the G-Tech-Pro brand. Well, the company has recently released the new SS (Super Street) and RR (Road Racer) models with added features. Along with displaying current speed, horsepower, and elapsed times, the SS with GPS technology also records whatever elapsed-time intervals you want while your vehicle is in motion. gtechpro.com. **WHEELBASE**

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LEASING AND THE DEATHLY HALLOWS, PART II

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A few years back certain automakers were really big into leasing. Then they dropped it like a hot potato salad. Yes, very messy.

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▶ Leasing is not restricted to luxury cars, but luxury cars, like this BMW 5 Series, have always maintained a higher percentage of lease customers than their mainstream counterparts.

In an effort to get business by establishing lower and lower monthly lease payments, many automakers set way too optimistic lease-end residual prices.

These vehicles then flooded the used market and over-supply conditions further decreased their already unrealistic values.

Net result: automakers and lessors had to suck up the difference, and suffered huge losses in their leasing portfolios. Grumpy faces all around.

They're not going to do that again. Oh wait, they might be… Yes, Chrysler and GM are back into leasing. And other automakers that significantly scaled back their leasing efforts, like Ford, are now scaling back up.

Well leasing is back, but you can be sure that automakers have learned valuable lessons. Leasing is different now.

Generally, automakers will now be more selective on which models they offer leasing programs on, and will have self-imposed limits on their overall leasing penetration. Ford, for instance, wants to keep it around 10 per cent of their overall sales.

Luxury makes have more pressure to lease — their affluent customers like to, and can afford to, get into new vehicles more often, and leasing is a great no-fuss no-muss way to get that done. If you're always driving a relatively new vehicle it's going to be expensive, no matter which financing method you use.

Which brings us back to an essential point of leasing — leasing is not for everyone. In the previous era, many customers were mesmerized by those lower-then-low monthly payments, and then found out the hard way, that it didn't suit their budget, needs or lifestyle. If they didn't look after the vehicle properly and/or drove it a ton, they got stung at lease end with excessive kilometre and "wear and tear" charges.

By adhering to more realistic residual (or end-of-lease) values, leasing offers are better structured than they were in the past, but lost the clear-cut cost advantage they previously held over their main competitor — a financed car loan. But automakers still use attractive lease rates to move certain models, so good leases deals are out there.

Do some reading before you go lease happy. The Canadian Automobile Dealers Association (CADA) has published a useful document called, Turning the Lights on Leasing, which is accessible on its website (cada.ca).

Another resource is the software application, Expert Lease Pro, available at leasetips.com.

I asked publisher, Charles Hart, what is the most misunderstood aspect of leasing, by consumers?

"That it's a legal contract," said Hart. "You're entering into a legal contract. Not just taking a loan and then purchasing something. Distinct difference… Like any contract, you need to read it and understand it, before you enter into it."

And once you're in, be prepared to go the distance.

Hart noted you could prematurely end a lease.

"But it's painful and expensive."

Lowly dandelion could be Ford's next breakthrough

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The next time you're cursing dandelions as you're digging them out of your lawn, try not to be so hard on them: they might be part of your car someday.

Ford has partnered with Ohio State University's agricultural research department to see if the milky sap in dandelion roots can be used in place of latex to make rubber for vehicle parts.

"I believe oil will become more scarce and we need to look at alternative materials that we can grow in this country," says Debbie Mielewski, technical leader of plastics research for Ford in Michigan.

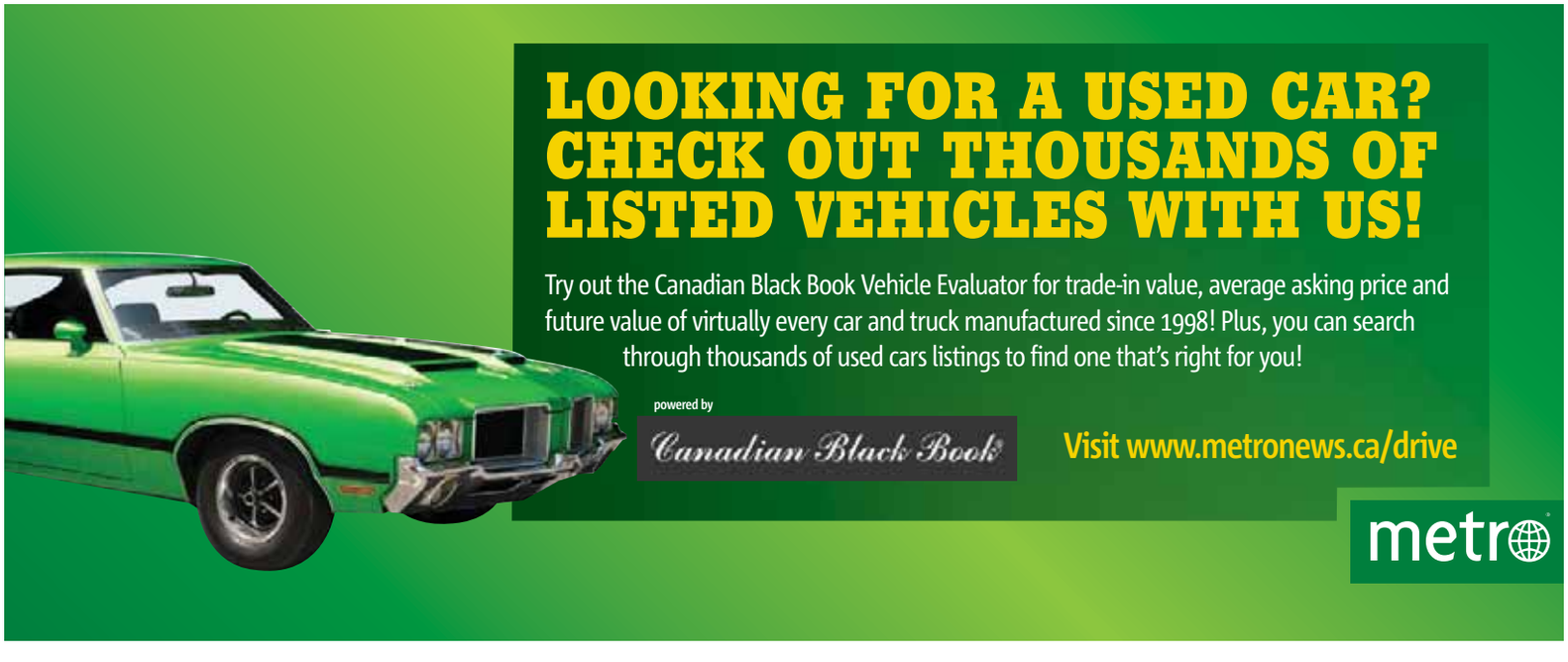
"We use a lot of synthetic rubber and it's made from petroleum. Rubber is a natural product, but it's grown in Southeast Asia. Transportation costs are getting ridiculous, the plants are being hit by blight, and they're cutting down trees at a much higher rate than they're replacing them, so we don't think it's feasible long-term."

You're not going to get rich by weeding and selling the result. In order to get enough sap from each plant, the dandelions being studied are a special strain that's native to Russia.

"These roots are enormous compared to those in our regular dandelions here," Mielewski says.

"They were looking at it during World War Two as a local source of rubber because nothing was shipping in, but research stopped after the war ended. In the last few years, Ohio State started to look at it to see if we can grow it here as a natural source of rubber."

The dandelions are harvested, dried, and their roots snapped open to obtain the sap. In testing, it's being used the same way as natural latex to form rubber. Even if the weeds have potential, Mielewski warns that it will take years before the product actually comes to market.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A road trip with the right kind of memories

Don't want to come back home with tales of disaster from your vacation? Start with some proactive maintenance

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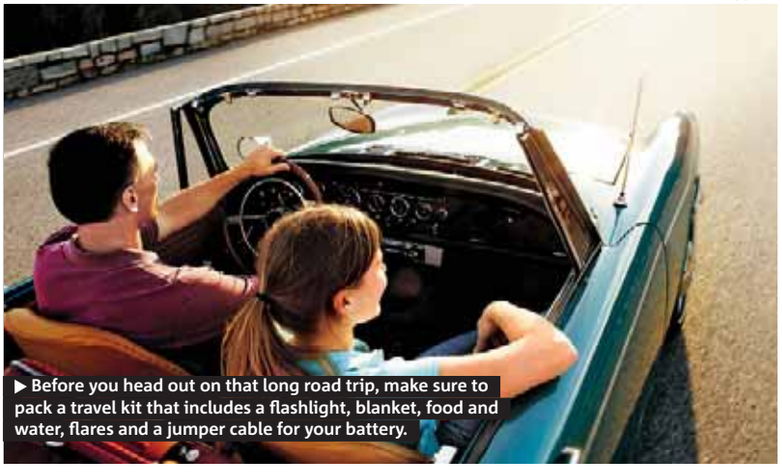
After months of fighting snow and wind, Canadians are gearing up for summer road trips.

From a little kid tucked in the backseat heading to the cottage, to a group of friends loading up the car for a camping trip, almost every Canadian has an epic summer drive memory.

Unfortunately, many also have memories of their vehicle being broken down on the side of the road with no help in sight.

A little proactive maintenance is the first step for a worry-free trip. Schedule a full service check-up two weeks prior to hitting the road including a tune-up and fluid top-up. Chances are during the winter months, you or your mechanic added more antifreeze to your radiator's coolant mix to prevent it from freezing. In excessive amounts, antifreeze can actually reduce cooling efficiency, resulting in higher engine temperatures. Have your mechanic check the concentration and adjust or change the coolant if required.



▶ Before you head out on that long road trip, make sure to pack a travel kit that includes a flashlight, blanket, food and water, flares and a jumper cable for your battery.

Help your engine perform at its best by filling your tank with a high-quality gasoline.

"Gasoline primarily contains carbon and hydrogen molecules, and combustion can create a residue, called gunk, which is a build-up of carbon particles on critical engine parts," explains Ken Mitchell, an engineer from Shell Canada.

"This gunk has a porous surface that can negatively affect the performance of your vehicle. Some high-quality fuels ... clean and protect critical engine parts from the build-up of gunk while you drive."

Along with your personal packing list, you'll want to be equipped with a travel kit for your vehicle. Essentials include: a rechargeable flashlight, a blanket, non-perishable food and water, flares and a jumper cable for your battery, and the contact numbers for your insurance agency and your roadside service provider. For longer trips, it never hurts to have extra fluids in the trunk — just in case.

The last piece of the puzzle for any road trip is getting where you need to go.

Thanks to smartphones and Google maps, it's never been easier to plan your route and explore every nook and cranny of this great country, right down to where your next fill-up will be.

"There's nothing worse than rolling into a small town late at night when your fuel tank is on "E," and not knowing where to go," said Mitchell.

So no matter where your epic summer drive takes you — the Cabot Trail, the TransCanada through the Rockies or through waving wheat fields of the prairies — these tools can help make sure that summer of 2011 delivers a road trip with the right kind of memories.

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What's the 4-1-1

- **Model:** 2009 to 2011 Volkswagen Tiguan
- **Vehicle type:** Crossover SUV

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▶ 2010 Volkswagen Tiguan

The VW Tiguan is a compact SUV that was launched in 2009 to Canadian shoppers. Still on sale, the model receives an update for the 2011 model year.

With standard turbo power, two or all-wheel drive and sporty driving dynamics, the Volkswagen Tiguan stood out in the marketplace as a sporty and exciting contender.

Standard equipment included a two-litre four-cylinder turbo engine with 200 horsepower, front-wheel drive and a five-speed manual transmission. A six-speed automatic was available, and standard on 4Motion all wheel drive models.

Feature content included heated leather seating, a sunroof, navigation, rain-sensing wipers, a backup camera, Bluetooth and automatic climate control.

What Owners Like

Tiguan owners typically rave about sporty ride and handling characteristics, impeccable fit and finish, classy styling, and a long list of bells and whistles.

Small car driving manners and manoeuvrability are also highly rated.

What Owners Dislike

Complaints of the Tiguan tend to be centred around minor interior rattles as the vehicle ages, as well as its requirement to run on premium gas.

Some owners wish for better gas mileage, and many complain of limited cargo space in the back.

Common Issues

Start a test-drive of the Tiguan with a full check of all interior electronics — including the power/heated seats, navigation system and all lights.

A few owners have reported having transmissions replaced under warranty, and others note a strange and intermittent "thump" as the vehicle comes to a stop in traffic.

Information on Tiguan transmission issues is scarce, but if the automatic gearbox in the unit you're considering exhibits any unwelcomed behaviour, be sure to have it checked out.

Note that any sputtering or "lumpiness" in acceleration could be caused by a bad engine sensor or ignition coil packs, and that any check engine lights should be investigated by a trained VW mechanic.

Finally, check the floor carpeting, especially around the front footwells for signs of moisture, which could indicate a clogged or pinched-off sunroof drainage tube.

The Verdict

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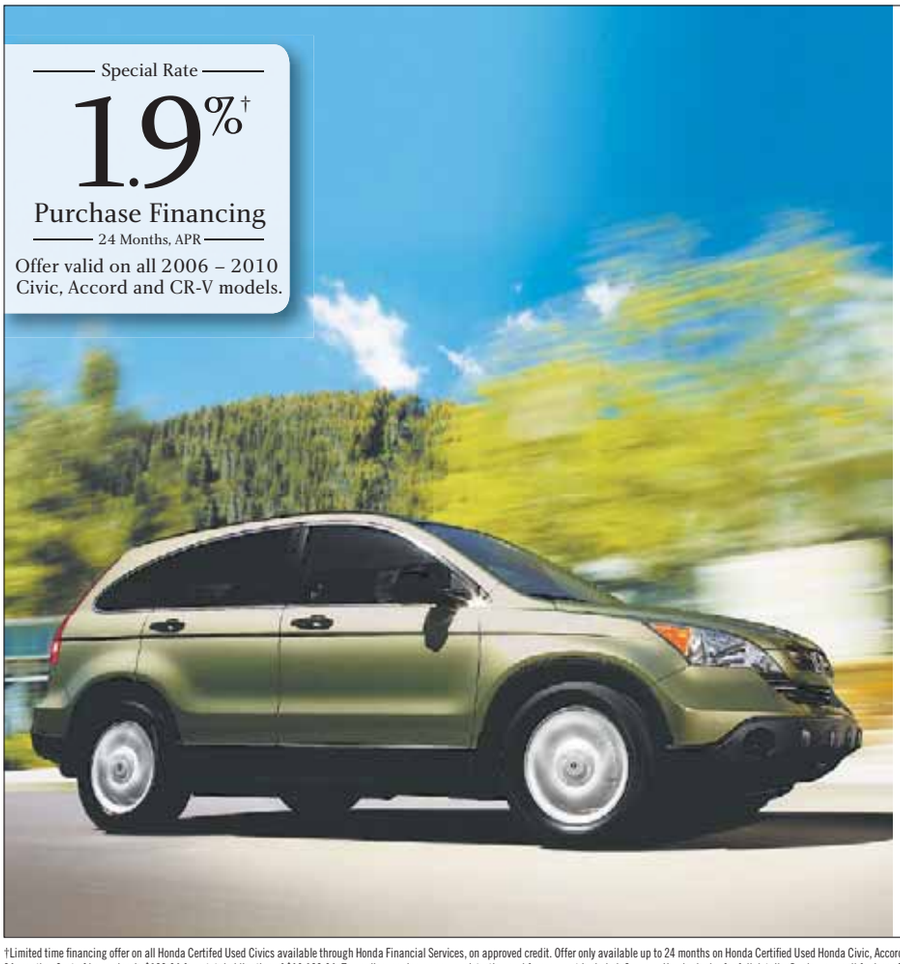

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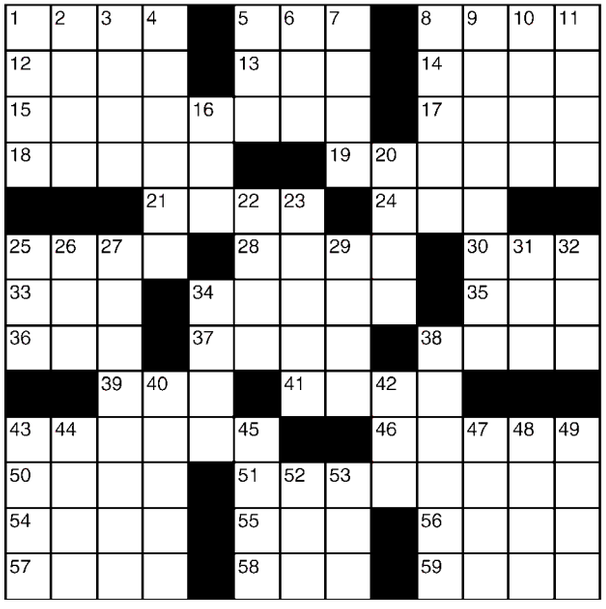

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21 Line of fashion?
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1	2	7	8	3	9	4	5	6
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Today's horoscope

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♈ Aries March 21-April 20 You won't hesitate to speak your mind. Be careful because what you say could have far-reaching results.

♉ Taurus April 21-May 21 If you went to extremes in some way yesterday, you will have to balance things out over the next 24 hours.

♊ Gemini May 22-June 21 You may be a bit unsure of yourself, but it's nothing to worry about. Tomorrow you'll be back to your best.

♋ Cancer June 22-July 22 If your current workload is heavy, you will need help from partners.

♌ Leo July 23-Aug.23 Don't worry if you fall out with a friend- because you will be the best of mates again by tomorrow.

♍ Virgo Aug. 24- Sept. 22 If you want guarantees you won't be out of pocket if you agree with a pal's proposal, you're asking too much.

♎ Libra Sept. 23-Oct. 23 Your way with words will charm everyone around you today.

♏ Scorpio Oct. 24-Nov. 22 You will clash with someone whose opinions you disagree with, not for the first time and not for the last.

♐ Sagittarius Nov. 23-Dec. 21 You need to channel your feelings into something of a worthwhile nature, such as a creative project.

♑ Capricorn Dec. 22-Jan. 20 You're not in the mood for fun and games. These are serious times.

♒ Aquarius Jan. 21-Feb. 18 You're in everyone's good books at the moment and if you are smart, you will make the most of it.

♓ Pisces Feb. 19-March 20. If you've made a promise, you must live up to it — especially on the work front. **SALLY BROMPTON**

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